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Attention NatLamp readers between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one: On November 7, millions of new voters like yourself will go to the polls. Since this election is so critical, we
have decided, just this once, to put aside the wisecracks and discuss your emerging role in the democratic process. Needless to say, we won't presume to tell you who to vote for. That is a decision you must make after weighing carefully the issues and assessing the candidates. We will, however, tell you how to register, how to get the most from your vote, and how to make your voice heard.
Registering: Let's face it, the main reason one becomes involved in politics or almost anything else, for that matter, is to get laid, and there's no better place to score during an election year than your local registry board. If, for instance, you should spy a likely companion sporting a McGovern button, simply step up and say, "I think it's high time someone put an end to the senseless slaughter in Southeast Asia and made big business shoulder its fair share of the American tax burden! Let's fuck!" If, however, the prospective playmate is wearing a Nixon button, then try the following: "I'd sure hate to see our great nation, considering the massive strides we have made during the last four years in every area of human endeavor, turned into a second-rate power that has to go begging to Hanoi! Let's fuck!" Politics makes strange bedfellows indeed!

Caution! Never, never actually register. If, God forbid, they should ever get a hold of your name and address, you'll be called up for jury duty and lose two weeks' wages learning why black defendants refer to our judicial
system as the "underground railroad." Getting the Most From Your Vote: Don't expect to ring up your local election committee and say, "Hi! I'm John (or Jane) Q. Young Citizen, and if you want my vote in your pocket, start coughing up some big bucks!" Aside from Newark, New Jersey, where such phone calls are commonplace, a more subtle approach is required, an approach limited only by your imagination. For example, one resourceful eighteen-year-old of our acquaintance designed his own campaign button that reads, "My vote is up for grabs. Make an offer." (reproduced here, along with a few more, for your convenience) and made a tidy sum by just hanging about the polling booths.

Many young people, idealists that they are, go around thinking they can sell their vote for one hundred dollars or more. To them we say, "Climb down from your ivory tower, bubbleheads! One vote just isn't worth that much!" The fact is, in some districts (i.e., Newark, New Jersey), you can stuff a whole ballot-box for a "C-note" and get change back. Our advice is to name a reasonable figure (anywhere between ten and fifteen dollars) and be prepared to settle for a lot less.
Making Your Voice Heard: Chances are, if you are a member of the Democratic Party, your voice has already been heard, at least by the Republican Party whose alert Committee to ReElect the President rarely misses an opportunity to "tune in" on the loyal opposition through special polling de-

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vices. There is, of course, a difference between making your voice heard and making your opinion felt. Unless you have a hundred grand (minimum) to back up your opinion, there is only one other practical way to get your feelings across with impact. Just make sure the fuse is long enough.

We've passed along a few hints on how to make the best of your first election, but the rest is up to you. Get involved. Remember, the hope of America is it's youth!

> -MO'D, BCL

Cover: This month's cover is entitled "The Lady of the Bathwater" and was photographed by Steve Myers. By now the astute reader is probably wondering, "If this, as it would certainly appear to be, is intended as an off-the-wall parody of Sir Walter Scott's Lady of the Lake, then why the fuck is a man's hand holding the sword?" The explanation is simple. Michael O'Donoghue, who came up with the idea, turned the entire project over to Art Director Michael Gross. O'Donoghue didn't bother to go over every detail with Gross because he figured any schoolboy has read King Arthur, not realizing that Gross, who's still trying to finish a Blackhawk comic he began some months ago, thinks that King Arthur is a seaport in Texas. When he saw the cover, O'Donoghue, always considerate of other's feelings, slow to condemn and quick to forgive, just didn't have the heart to tell Gross that he is a stupid, illiterate, cloddish, defective, imbecilic, retarded, dense, moronic, subnormal, feeble-minded dolt who's about as bright as a nightlight and as sharp as a napkin. Your brain belongs in Forest Lawn, you beef-witted dumbhead!!!!
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And sitting in the balcony at the Brooklyn Paramount some years ago, you would have been privy to some strange sounds that started the kind of music revolution that's going on today. Rock and Roll. The kind of music that frightened parents and was considered, in some Neanderthal circles, to be a Communist plot to subvert the youth of America. The point of all this is that there were a lot of different kinds of music that
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Sirs:
I read two months ago that Esquire's Harold Hayes had a bunch of fuckyous, cocksuckers, etc., etc. left over that they're not allowed to use and I was wondering, if you can't use them, we sure can. We ran short last month and the situation is threatening again. Please let us know. We'd be deeply in your debt.

Michael Janeway
Atlantic Monthly
Sirs:
Show me the way to go home. I'm tired and I want to go to bed.

Sen. George Aiken Fraser, Vt.
Sirs:
I'm a guy. But if I was a girl, I wouldn't go anywhere. I'd sit all morning in a big comfortable chair with my hands up my dress. And then
in the afternoon, I'd put my hands in my blouse. It'd be fantastic. Why the hell would I want to go anywhere? You answer me that.

## Mark Farmers New Haven, Conn.

Sirs:
What's all this nonsense about "nice people get VD too"? It may come as a shock to you, but the Mellons are not walking around with open sores in their mouths, the Vanderbilts haven't been complaining about blindness or insanity, and the Rockefellers haven't been dripping. I suppose these facts sadden you a mite, but nonetheless they're true. Nice people don't get VD. Nice people get low back pains, heart trouble, and drinking problems.

Owens Fisher
Elmhurst, France
Sirs:
You want Tandalaio make tiffin for you? Tandalaio make good tiffin.

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Sirs:
Perhaps you can help me. I'm in the process of producing a musical review, but I've run into somewhat of a problem. At the end of the show, there's a medley of songs that the whole cast sings. The theme of the medley is flashlights, and I need six
songs that have either "flashlight" in the title or "flashlight" in the lyrics. So far I only have two: "Flashlight When You Flash Love" and "Two Flashlights in the Dark." I need four more and the show is next month, so you can see I'm in quite a bind. Perhaps you or your readers know of some songs I can use. I'd really appreciate it. You won't be sorry. It's for a worthy cause. We're raising money to buy flashlights to send to Eskimos who don't have flashlights.

Ken Schmidt Laguna Beach, Calif.
Sirs:
This, I suppose, is your "Letters" column. I don't particularly want to be in your "Letters" column. I'm just resting here until I build up enough strength to go plowing through your rather puerile magazine in search of a subscription form. (It's for a friend, I assure you.) I don't think I can do it. Why don't I wait here and you get me one? I'll wait here among all of these witless letters and this self-indulgent drivel and you go move your blotchy bottoms and come back to me with a subscription form. And don't take all damn day. I don't like it here. Not a bit. On second thought, don't get me a subscription form (my friend will understand). And don't bother to see me out. I'll go out the



You wouldn't know it to look at me, but nobody loves me. Every morning I wake up feeling like beans and franks. Wouldn't you suppose someone like me would have little trouble getting a date? Well, don't count on it. Looks aren't everything. I've chased after commuter trains, rock bands, troop ships, even traveled with the Pittsburgh Steelers. My favorite magazine says one should buy lots of cosmetics, learn how to make small talk, and cultivate a sophisticated aloofness with sexual overtones. I love that magazine. They really cater to my Cinderella psyche, especially when I'm bored stiff. Which is pretty of ten. I enjoy fellatio and I'm not ashamed to admit it. I guess you'd have to say I'm that COSMOPOLITAN Girl.


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Sirs:
I was just going through your "Letters" column and happened to see that there were no letters from David Frost calling himself an asshole or, actually, you calling him an asshole, and I was wondering if that's over . . . or if you plan on having someone else replace him. Who will you get? I'm really anxious to see who it will be. Probably someone who will least expect it, huh? Someone just tranquilly passing along and whammo, he finds he's calling himself an asshole - "T'm an asshole, I'm an asshole"-just like that. Wait a minute . . . you don't think that I . . . Hold it! Look, there's no percentage in getting me to call myself an asshole because I'll just deny it like I'm doing right now. I am not, repeat, not an asshole.

> David Steinberg New York City

Sirs:
To my way of thinking, not that anyone asks me or anything, but to my way of thinking the best radial tire is Kleber V 10. It's a fabric radial, not a steel, and therein lies its secret. Thank you.

Tom McCormack Bethesda, Maryland

Sirs:
First I bought an Ike and Tina Turner for my tooter, then I bought an Ike and Tina Tuner for my tuna. And with the money I had left over, I was able to replace my Ike and Tina

Tweeter and my Thomas Woofer. How many stops did I make? You weren't counting the stops, were you, you daydreaming bozos!

Shamus Zingboing Great Neck, New York


## Beer Cams on the Moon: New Outraige by Ed Samnders.


"It's not protest: it's positive rock," says Ed Sanders of his latest platter. "There's no sexism and I tried to put poetry into it. There will be no problems with this album and only the Republican National Committee won't like it."
What it is is Gandhi Rock, Administration Politics Rock, Astral Country Rock, Eco Rock and other pioneering musical forms spread through titles such as "Henry Kissinger," "The Shredding Machine," "Kaw River Valley Progressive Hempune," "Yodelling Robot" and "Six-Pack of Sunshine." There's even an adaptation of a William Blake poem, "Albion Crags."
Ed Sanders' trenchant career in the arts has led him from beat poet to Fug founder to solo recording to The Family, his best-selling chronicle of the activities of the Charles Manson people. Hear him rise again in Beer Cans on the Moon.

## A SharipotEdged Allbumn on Reprise Records and Tapes.



- A teacher in a small town in Czechoslovakia, afraid that the lack of children in his school would result in his transfer, spent four years going around the village late at night and clandestinely knocking on the windows of young married couples to wake them up. There are now enough children for his school. Los Angeles Times (G. Holt)
- In a book on the wartime exploits of the Office of Strategic Services (OSS), R. Harris Smith, a former CIA analyst, revealed that at one

time American intelligence officials planned to drive Adolf Hitler insane by exposing him to pornography.

After conducting a long-range psychiatric study that convinced them that the Fuhrer could be unhinged by obscene material, a group of OSS psychoanalysts collected the finest library of German porno ever assembled. They planned to drop the material by plane over Hitler's headquarters in Berchtesgaden in the belief that the Nazi dictator would wander outside, see it, and immediately be driven insane.

Unfortunately, the Army Air Corps colonel delegated to organize the smut-drop left his first meeting with the OSS officials in a blind rage, cursing them as maniacs and refusing to jeopardize a single airman's life in the operation. Winnipeg Tribune (S. Zmetana)

- Two Detroit policemen burst into the East Side home of Mrs. Walraud Buchanan one day in the middle of August and smashed glass doors, overturned dressers and cupboards, and held Mrs. Buchanan's eighteen-year-old daughter, Eva, at gunpoint, demanding, "Where's the stuff?"

After Eva doggedly. insisted that she didn't know what the police were talking about, the policemen reread their warrant. "Uh-oh, it looks like someone screwed up," said one of them, and the two hurriedly left.
"We goofed," a police spokesman admitted afterward. "It was a simple case of human error, and we're sorry." Tulsa Daily World (H. W. West)

- A fifty-nine-year-old Sydney, Australia, housewife died of a heart attack in front of the television cameras after learning that she had won the first round of an Australian quiz show called "Temptation."

An executive of the TV station said the show, which was being taped at a local studio before a live audience, would not be aired but that "when the relatives recover from the shock, we may offer them the film of the program. I'm sure they would like to see how happy she was." San Francisco Chronicle (K. Carnes)

- Maria Marcon, twenty-four, of Rome, Italy, got off a train and accepted a ride from a dark-haired stranger. Shortly after she entered the car, a three-foot dwarf popped out of a cardboard box on the back seat, clubbed her over the head, and stole $\$ 60$ from her purse. When she came to, she was lying on the street. Canadian Press
- President Jean Bédel Bokassa of the Central African Republic led soldiers into Bangui prison and ordered them to beat with wooden clubs all the inmates who had been imprisoned for theft. The Government later an-


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continued nounced that several of the prisoners died as a result of the beatings.

After announcing in a radio broadcast that the "results" of the "showdown between the national army and the army of thieves" would be displayed in public the next day, General Bokassa had the dead and wounded thieves transported to a central square in Bangui, capital of the C.A.R., and forced a number of individuals awaiting trial for theft to touch them as a warning.
"Thieves must all die," he commented. "There will be no more theft in the Central African Republic."

At the prison, the general had told the soldiers that they could "keep on hitting them till you kill them" as they advanced on nearly fifty prisoners who had been brought into the prison courtyard. During the beatings he turned to a correspondent who was present and remarked, "It's tough, but that's life." New York Times (N. Fish)

- A watchdog bit police detective H. R. Outlaw at a residence where the police officer had gone to investigate a burglary.
"I can't understand why the dog didn't get the man who broke in instead of me," said Detective Outlaw.

The dog was sentenced to serve a ten-day term at the Chattanooga Humane Society. Pacific Stars \& Stripes (J. Jacobson)

- Los Angeles Police Chief Edward M. Davis has urged that skyjackers be tried right at the airport and hung on a mobile gallows.
"I would recommend we have a portable courtroom on a big bus and a portable gallows," suggested the police officer, "and after we get the death penalty put back in, we conduct a rapid trial for a hijacker out there, and then we hang him with due process of law out there at the airport." Los Angeles Times (S. Samaha)
- Chris Haines of Little Thurlow, England, a farm laborer, yawned too widely, and it required more than seven hours for doctors to close his mouth. Haines reported later that he could only make gargling noises during the ordeal and had no way of communicating his quandary to the doctors.

At one point he was urged to see a psychiatrist. New York Times (R. Andersen)

- During a visit made to the West Virginia delegation to the Republican Convention in Miami in the middle of August, Tricia Cox, President Nixon's daughter, said, "The entire Nixon family applauds you, not only for what you have done for the Republican Party but for what you will do between now and November 7." continued on page 16


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- Faced with a troublesome leak in a sewage outfall line that cost the town of Daly City $\$ 10,000$ last year and had turned a nearby stretch of beach into dangerous quicksand, the city fathers called on Ed Graf, president of the Pressure Grout Company.

Using a technique he had previously employed to save a lead mine in Missouri from flooding, Graf successfully plugged the leak with sixty Kotex sanitary napkins. San Bruno Enterprise-Journal (L. Mezzetta)

- A former University of Illinois student was the victim of a rape attempt
by three coeds who had taken offense at an article he wrote for the university newspaper about women's lib organizations.

The student, William Chester, said the three invited him to the women's lib office to discuss his article, then lured him to the sixth floor of the student union.
"When we got there," said Chester, "one of the girls-a husky two-hum-dred-pounder-put a bear hug on me from behind. The other two pushed me and the big one held me while lying under me."

He said one of the girls tore open his shirt and another pulled down his pants before two university employees came down the corridor and scared the girls away.

Chester quoted one of the girls as saying, "Let's really get him and show him what sex is all about."
"Just to show I'm no male chauvinist pig, I filed only simple battery charges," said Chester. Chicago Tribune (W. Sanke)

- A woman's body was discovered in a backyard barbecue pit fifteen hours after the end of a party at the house of Edwin Pendleton in Wolcott, New York. The police investigation that resulted in the discovery began when Mr. Pendleton called the state troopers to report that he had not seen his
wife, Virginia, thirty-nine, since the party began to break up in the early hours of the morning.

The body was discovered by Pendleton's son, Ronald, who found the charred remains among the burned wood in the family's shallow, four-foot-square barbecue pit.

An autopsy was performed, and it was ascertained that the body was that of a woman, but further identification was impossible, pending a check of dental charts.
"All we have is bones," said a state police sergeant, who added that investigators were thus far not considering the possibility of homicide.
"I'd hate to say anything right now," continued the sergeant. "She may have passed out, fallen in. It's hard to tell right now." New York Daily News (M. Nichols)

- In a recent issue of Medical Opinion, a monthly magazine for physicians, Dr. William B. Ober of New York City's Beth Israel Hospital propounded the theory that the defeat Napoleon suffered at Waterloo was the result of a painful case of hemorrhoids.

Dr. Ober, who has studied the effects of piles on illustrious historical figures, bases part of his theory on the disastrous results of Napoleon's affliction, which affected him most se-

verely on horseback, on a report by a contemporary observer who described the French emperor on the day of the battle as being in such pain that he dismounted, clutched a nearby fencepost, his face white with pain, and stood there until the spasm abated.
"There is no guarantee that Napoleon would have defeated Wellington if he had not suffered from acutely thrombosed hemorrhoids," admits Dr. Ober, "but in the long run one cannot consider it safe for an empire to rest on so sensitive and fragile a bottom."

Louis XIV of France also suffered from piles, according to Dr. Ober, and he cites the French historian Jules Michelet's belief that the agony and discomfort caused by the disorder led Louis to make a number of ill-considered decisions, including the revocation of the Edict of Nantes.
"We are too inhibited by feelings of shame and embarrassment to publicize the disease," says Ober. "Why not form a National Hemorrhoid Foundation? . . . Let us bring hemorrhoids out into the open, make them part of the mainstream of American consciousness. And let our awakened, sympathetic citizenry support it with the slogan, 'Give from the heart of your bottom!'" Chicago Sun-Times (B. Rines)

- There's good news for Nancy X,
eighteen, of Chicago, a victim of the little-known curser's disease, or "foulmouth syndrome," and the few hundred other known sufferers of the bizarre disorder: a drug called haloperidol appears to be virtually 100 percent effective in treating the disease.

As with most victims of the affliction, which is occasionally referred to as Cilies de la Tourette syndrome (after the nineteenth-century French physician who first described it),Nancy $X$ couldn't control her cursing. Since first being struck with the malady at the age of eleven, she had had to drop out of school because of the uncontrollable fits that resulted in her unexpectedly shouting out sentences, phrases, and occasionally endless paragraphs of vulgar obsceneties, a symtom known as coprolalia.

Her condition was regarded as hopeless until she was brought to the University of Illinois hospital, where Dr. Louis Boshes, professor of neurology, prescribed the drug, which is normally used as a major tranquilizer. Philadelphia Inquirer (T. Coletta)
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MRS. SHRIVER: Hello, I'm Mrs. Shriver.
MRS. AGNEW: Hello. Oh goodness, you must be the Avon lady. Gosh, I've seen those ads on TV. Do you really have cologne in a bottle shaped like a tennis shoe? I know Spiggy would love one of those.
MRS. SHRIVER: No, you see, I'm Eunice Shriver, the-
MRS. AGNEW: I'm awful sorry, but I don't have a niece named Kyver. You must want the Leibowitzes,
they're at 1264, just down the block. We're really very progressive here, you know. There's a very nice colored family only three miles away, or at least there was when we moved in, because we got the place quite cheap. MRS. SHRIVER: Mrs. Eunice Shriver, the wife of Sargent Shriver, the candidate for Vice President.
MRS. AGNEW: Oh dear, honestly, isn't that silly of me. I forgot all about that business with the electricity, and I couldn't remember the name, but I knew it was a bird, like Turkeyton or Chickendon or Weasleton, no that's not a bird, but gee, I'm so embarrassed. You see, I was thinking you'd have a bird in your name, and when you said Kiker-
MRS. SHRIVER: Shriver.
MRS. AGNEW: Shyber, well, I just drew a blank. Well, do come in. I have my cake all ready. Did you bring yours?

MRS. SHRIVER: Cake?
MRS. AGNEW: You know, for the bake-off.
MRS. SHRIVER: Bake-off?
MRS. AGNEW: Yes, I mean, we're supposed to have a bake-off, aren't we?
MRS. SHRIVER: Uh, well no, it was more in the line of a debate, wasn't it? You know, a sort of discussion on our beliefs, that kind of thing.
MRS. AGNEW: Oh. Are you sure? I could of sworn Ron Ziegler said a bake-off.
MRS. SHRIVER: Why, yes, of course I'm sure. But, really, there's no harm done. We can just go right ahead. All you have to do is state your positions on the pressing issues of the day and-
MRS. AGNEW: Are you sure you wouldn't rather have a bake-off? I've got a real beaut in the oven, a tripledecker Devil's Food with marshmallow icing and cashews. Spiggy is nuts about cashews. Whoops! I made a punt! Get it? Nuts, cashews-cashews are a kind of nut-
MRS. SHRIVER: Quite.
MRS. AGNEW: Well, look, let's make the best of it. You taste my cake and I'll sort of sit and listen while you state your petitions and press those tissues.
MRS. SHRIVER: Really, $I$ do think we should have a proper debate. I'm continued

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continued sure you'll agree we owe it to the American people to provide them with a clear statement of our contrasting political philosophies, followed by a period of thorough, searching rebuttal-
MRS. AGNEW: Hey, just a darn minute!
MRS. SHRIVER: I beg your pardon. MRS. AGNEW: You should have your mouth washed out with soap.
MRS. SHRIVER: For what?
MRS. AGNEW: For what you just said, that's what.
MRS. SHRIVER: I don't think IMRS. AGNEW: Think me no thinks. I heard what I heard. Why, if my daughter Kim used a word like that, I'd give her rebuttal a good whacking. MRS. SHRIVER: You? I? What?
MRS. AGNEW: If women spent more time in kitchens baking cakes and less hobnobbin' with the Chicano Red Sox and John Kenneth Schlesinger and George McCarth this would be a better country in which to work and/or play.
MRS. SHRIVER: Listen, I have to be downtown at the Quasi Club at three o'clock for a meeting of the Women for Peace and Justice. Can't we just get this over with? What do you say we just have five minutes for our opening statements, then two three-minute response periods, and then we'll call it a day?
MRS. AGNEW: I know all about that kind of meeting. You sit around with Jane Fondue tape-recording prophyganda speeches for them to broadcast over Radio Honey telling our boys to lay down their arms and
go back and bebop with their sweethearts.
MRS.SHRIVER: I'mafraid I don'tMRS. AGNEW: Well, the game's up. You must wait and see. You may be boasting now, but you'll be roasting after Election Day.
MRS. SHRIVER: I think I'd better be going.
MRS. AGNEW: Yes, and why don't you tell that Sergeant you're married to that there are a lot of right-thinking people who don't cotton to having Negroes parachuted into their suburban communities-even though they're very progressive people and don't mind one nice family three miles away-and don't want their children sent on stinky buses to smelly trade-schools to learn mechanical drawing and rotary-mower repair with a bunch of knife-totin' Mau Maus with bones in their-
MRS. SHRIVER: Really, I must be going. So nice to have had this little chat. Good-bye now.
MRS. AGNEW: Well, I never. Oh fiddle, half-way through "Secret Storm"!
MALE TELEVISION VOICE: Marilyn, it's about Peter. He has, he has
FEMALE TELEVISION VOICE: Oh, Dan, it can't be, it can't beMALE TELEVISION VOICE: Yes, Marilyn, I'm afraid it is.
FEMALE TELEVISION VOICE: Will they, will they have to operate? MALE TELEVISION VOICE: Yes, yes they are. The doctor is sending to Switzerland for a special chain saw. MRS. AGNEW: Gee. $\square$


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Word has been received from Prague that shortly after President Anwar Sadat
asked the vast majority of Russian troops and advisers to leave Egypt, the Czechs made a similar request of the Soviet Union regarding the ten or so Red Army divisions still stationed in Czechoslovakia four years after Russia's "goodwill invasion" in August 1968. The withdrawal request, which Czech spokesmen stress was made "in a spirit of comradely friendship," has as yet received no response from the Russians. "Perhaps our notes crossed in the diplomatic pouches," theorized one highly placed

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Perhaps reflecting a coming of age of space exploration, NASA has announced that under present plans the space shuttle will be run by the Department of Transportation under an operating authority similar to Amtrak, the National Railroad Passenger Corporation. Trips to earth orbit will require $271 / 2$ hours, the rockets will be made from leftover V-2s seized from the Germans with wooden seats bolted to their walls, there will be a space station whose corridors will
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double as restrooms, the only food available will be dehydrated ham sandwiches and orange drink, and flights may be cancelled without notice up to five minutes before scheduled departure times.

Members of the Committee to Re-Elect the President have recently denied accusations that members of the President's staff are engaging in a "low road" campaign against George McGovern. "We're sticking to the record and nothing but," one aide insisted, "and we're willing to let the facts speak for themselves. Naturally," he continued, "we think the American people want to be told when we, for example, learn of the existence of a set of glossies showing Senator McGovern having sexual relations with a racoon and playing spit-in-the-ocean with Adolf Hitler, or of his plans to put Ramsey Clark in charge of a drumhead court to try everyone who served honorably in Vietnam for murder, or of the draft of his proposal for forcing hardworking middle-class Americans to turn their barbecue pits and recreation rooms into mini methadoneclinics." $\square$

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Kiel Parole Malpure en Esperanto
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So you didn't think you could! Frankly, it's as easy as a furpie if you follow my simple rules. There are many sound reasons for spending the next few hours learning them. Toname a few: With Esperanto you can write graffiti on the walls of the restrooms of the United Nations, the World Court at The Hague, or the European Parliament at Strasbourg without shame, and on more common surfaces without fear of contradiction. With Esperanto you can derive considerable pleasure from uttering even the vilest phrase in Esperanto; although your language is from the gutter, it is from the gutters of the Champs Elysées, the Kurfürstendamm, Jermyn Street, and the Via Sant Angelo. And if afterward you should feel remorse, you are entitled to wash your mouth out with beeswax or anise or some other exotic astringent instead of ordinary soap. With Esperanto you can trade imprecations as an equal with members of foreign-born minority groups whose native caterwauls-with their varmint-like barkings, pagan speech-rhythms, and moronic, singsong syllables-are so much more appropriate to scatological usage than the noble cadances of English. You can expound at great length on the chastity, racial characteristics, and sexual inventiveness of their mothers without risking the kind of comprehension that has them reaching for knives to supplement their disappointing vocabularies. And should you, by great good fortune, enter into an altercation with a fellow EsperanFETISH SUPPLEMENT
tist, the great commitment to international brotherhood and understanding that you share with your antagonist will quickly overcome the bitterest of enmities, and you will be able to adjourn speedily to a nearby trattoria, there to partake of a toast of beeswax and anise to Dr. L. Ludwig Zamenhof, the creator of Esperanto, and to us, of course, for correcting his puzzling oversight of not having included any dirty words in Esperanto in the first place.

FIRST: pronunciation! Master these rules and you will be able to speak Esperanto like a native!
Esperanto is phonetic; letters are always pronounced alike no matter where they appear! B, d, f, h, k, l, m, $\mathrm{n}, \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{s}, \mathrm{t}, \mathrm{v}, \mathrm{z}$, are prounounced exactly as in English, so don't worry about them.

aj
....... Spanish fly
ej go down on
eu .......... "eh" plus "oo"
oj .......... joint
uj .......... Oh, ick, it's all gooey!
Now that wasn't so hard, was it? Don't be ashamed to consult this list whenever you feel the need. And, one more thing, remember: In words with more than one syllable, the stress is always on the next to last syllable. In words of only two syllables, the first is stressed, since it is also the next to last.
SECOND: grammar! Esperanto has the easiest grammar in the world! Memorize these rules and you will have no trouble with the language. All Esperanto words consist of a root ${ }^{1}$ and an ending. The root gives the meaning of the word and the ending tells what part of speech it has. Nothing could be simpler and there are no exceptions in Esperanto.
Now watch as we make our first whole sentence:
Liroj mangas viadon.
LEE-roy MAHN-jass vee-AHNdoan.
Leroy eats meat.
Isn't that easy! What we really wanted to say was "Leroy eats shit," but our Esperanto dictionary unaccountably refused to list it. Nevertheless, we push on with:

## Sandra lekas pilkojn.

SAN-drah LEH-kass PEEL-coin.
Sandra licks balls.
all of which are in the book. Notice ${ }^{1}$ As soon as you've had your little laugh, we'll go

how useful the affixes are: Sandra lekadas pilkegojn.
SAN-drah leh-KAH-dass peel-KEH-goyn.
Sandra frequently-licks large-balls.
In Esperanto, the verb veni means "to come." Using the suffix $-u j$, which means "container," we get venujo, scumbag; whence:

Li venas en la venujon.
LEE-VEHN-ass EHN LA veh-NOO-yon.
He comes into the scumbag.
Other useful appurtenances of veni are venajo 'come-substance' or 'jism,' venegulo 'a real comer,' venestro 'come-leader'(useful at orgies), etc. With these preliminaries out of the way, we are all set to go to town (or around the world) with this larger passage:

Saluton! /Kiel vi fartas?2 /Gage bone! / $\widehat{C} u$ vi havas la plumon? IJes, mi havas la granda forta plumon, sed la inko estas malpura. /Malbene! / Kia idioto mi estis, ne uzi la venejon.
Hello there! /How are you faring? /Jolly good! /Have you a pen? /Yes, I have the large strong pen, but the ink is rotten. /That is awful! /What a fool I was not to use the scumbag.
We've gone as far as we can without some bona-fide dirty words. We won't let the spoilsport editors who compiled the dictionary have the last word; Esperanto is nothing if not adaptable. Dirty words are as easy to come by as a well-engineered teatprovided my patented system is followed.

## THIRD: Vocabulary!

Example: Asshole. This could be rendered accurately as "anus open-

[^1] 2 The word
farting?
ing," but this somehow lacks vividness: anoaperturo. A much better rendering would be "windhole." Thus, add vento to truo to get ventruo. Another more colorful rendering would be to borrow the Chinese expression "fart-eye." Thus: fartokulo.

Example: Furburger. This rather eloquent euphemism for the vulva is simply rendered by noting that the Esperanto for "Hamburg" (the alleged city of origin for the meat pattie) is Amburgo. Add to this the word for "fur" to get felburgo.

Example: Twat. This one's harder. "Twat" is from an old English expression for "hole in the hedge." The Esperantan rendition for this is impossibly long-"growing-thing-fencehole," i.e., kreskajbariltruo. However, the essence of "twat" is "bushy,"
which is best rendered (inasmuch as the Esperantan for "bush" is "little tree"-too long a word) as broso 'brush'.

Example: Prick. This is _directly translated as pikilo, but to get a shorter word, we truncate it to piko. Another possibility might be to make use of the suffix -il which means "tool" or "instrument of." Thus, if fuki is the verb "to fuck," then la fukilo means "the tool to fuck with" or, in other words, cock or prick,

Example: Shit. There are a number of baroque possibilities here, such as noktomalpuro 'nightsoil', which seems excessively prudish, and brunaserpento 'brown snake', which is evocative but clumsy. The best bet is to use the common root found in other languages, as is the custom in Es-


# USEFUL SENTENCES 

## Esperanto

1. Leroj merdas.
2. Leroj ekfimerdas.
3. Leroj kaj Sandra merdadas montegojn da pramerdo.
4. Vi estas dek funtoj da merdo en kvinfunta sako.
5. La grandioza kvalito da via merdo garantas aboleri la konkurson.
6. Fuku vin!
7. Peki estas homa, fuki estas divina.
8. Li fukas ŝian broson.
9. Vi ehfukas $\widehat{\text { sian }}$ broseton kun via pikego.
10. Mi pendegas
11. Via pendeco estas malkredeba.
12. Li pendas kiel hamstro.
13. Viaj veniloj aperas multe kiel spinakaco.
14. Estes mia esprima deziro ke fulmo frapus frapus vian pinon.
15. Estas mia konjekto ke via patrino estas ne strango al cirkauprenoj de hejmaj dorlotoj kaj fojnejokortaj bestoj.
peranto: "merde" to form merdo. It's an effortless step from the construction of dirty words in Esperanto to the compilation of short phrases. Remember, a little imagination goes a long way.

FOURTH: Practice! Translate these sentences into Esperanto.

1. The weather is nice. It is pleasant here. That is a pretty dress. Let's fuck.
Vetero estas agrable. Estas placa ĉi tie. Tiu estas beleta kostumo. Ni fuku.
2. There seems to be some error. Your ass is occupying the position which rightfully belongs to your head.
Apera esti ia eraro. Via posto okupas la pozicion ke laŭrajte apartenas al via kapo.
3. You are a booby. Would you be so kind as to bend over so that I may insert this kumquat into your rectum?
Via estas naivegulo. Vi estus afabla sufice klinî̂gi tiel ke mi esteblos enmeti $\hat{c} i$ tiu kumkvaton en via anuso?
4. Please correct me if I am mistaken, but are you not accustomed to eating shit?

## Pronunciation

LEE-roy MEHR-dass.
LEE-roy eek-fee-MEHR-dass.
LEE-roy kai SAN-dra mehr-da-dass mon-TEH-goin da pra-MEHR-doe. VEE EHS-tass dek FOON-toy da MEHR-doe ehn kveen-FOON-tah SOCK-oh.
La gran-dee-OH-zah kval-EE-toe da VEE-a MEHR-doe ga-RAHN-tass ah-bo-LEH-ree la kohn-KOORsohn.
FOO-koo VEEN!
PEH-kee EHS-tass HO-ma, FOOkee EHS-tass dee-VEE-nah.
Lee FOO-kass SHE-ahn BRO-sohn. Vee eck-FOO-kass SHE-ahn bro-SEHT-tohn koon VEE-ah peeKEH -go.
Mee pehn-DEH-gass.
VEE-ah pehn-DEH-tso EHS-tass mal-kreh-DEH-bah.
Lee PEHN-dass KEE-el HAM-stro.
VEE-aye veh-NEE-loy ah-PEHRass MOOL-teh KEE-ehl spee-nah-KAH-cho.
EHS-tass MEE-a ehs-PREE-ma deh-ZEE-roh keh FOOL-ma FRApuss VEE-ahn PEE-non.
EHS-tass MEE-ah kohn-YEK-to keh VEE-a pa-TREE-no EST-ass neh STRAN-goh ahl tseer-cow-PREH-noy deh HEM-mai dor-LOT-toy kai foy-neh-yo-KOR-tai BES-toy.

## Translation

Leroy shits.
Leroy nasty-shits-sudden.
Leroy and Sandra frequently-shit great-sized-piles of antiquated-shit. You are ten pounds of shit in a fivepound bag.

The superb quality of your shit is guaranteed to wipe out the competition.

Fuck you!
To err is human, to fuck divine.
He fucks her twat.
You quick-fuck her tiny-twat with your giant-cock.

I am well hung.
Your state of being hung is highly questionable.
He is hung like a hamster.
Your genitals bear a remarkable resemblance to moldy spinach.

It is my express wish that your penis be struck by lightning.

It is my conjecture that your mother is no stranger to the embraces of domestic pets and barnyard animals.

Mi petas korekto min se mi eraras, sed $\hat{c} u$ vi kutimas ne mangi merdon?
5. Shame! You should have your mouth washed out with beeswax and anise!
Honto! Vi lavu vin buson kun abelvakso kaj anizo!
6. Can you direct me to the nearest medical facility? My penis has been struck by lightning.
$\widehat{C} u$ vi povas direkti min al multoproksima medicina efiko? Mia piko estis frapont de fulmo.
As a final test of your newfound skill, translate the following passages at your leisure into English. And remember, practice makes perfect!
Passage No. 1
Mansignant la konstitucion kun minaĉo, ili devigas $\widehat{G}$. $\widehat{E}$. Uver leki la pilkojn de $F$. G. Sin dum Elen Keler masturbas kun kolumbo.
Passage No. 2
Ili fukas panjon sur litkovrilo de la amerika flago kun dileto de tagaĝa varmeghundo dum pisant sur la Biblio kaj frajon kaj reprodukto de "Amerika Gotika."

## Conversation

Pardonu, fraŭlino, mi vidas ke vi portas verdan stelon, /des. Gi es-
tas car mi parolas lingve. / Kiel vi fartas hodiau? / Mi fartas bone. Ejnstejn edzigis lia kuzinon en Skenektadi. / Cu vi observas ofte birdmigradojn? Ne. Mia patro estas okulisto. Mi esperas ke Ejnstejn estis plena de boneco. $\widehat{\mathrm{C}}$ u mi pruntus tason de teo? /Jes. Kiu estas la pli alta: hundido aŭ tekruĉo? /Mi ne konas. Mi ne fartas jam de multaj tagoj. Je kioma horo vi aŭdas la veterprognozon? / Videmandas multajn demandoin. /Gi estas car mi demandas ilin. Demetu vion ŝtrumpojn. /Ni aüdis unu horon da muzikajoj per gramofono. /Demetu nun vian brakteningon. /Estas ne vorto por "brakteningon."/Vi komprenis min sufiĉe. / Antaŭ tri tagon mi vidis teatrâon de Leroj. / $\widehat{i}$ itio estas koko. /Ho $\hat{c} u$ estas tıo koko? Ĉi tioj estas pilkoj. / Kial ehzistas tia multigeco da haroj? / Nun vi demandas la demandojn. / Mia patro estis okulisto. /Mia patro edzigis Einstejn. Kiel mi faras pri tio? / Metu ĝ̀n en vian buŝon. / La okulo estas granda! / La pli bono vin vidi! /Kial vi grutas? / Mia anguinalo jukas. /Mia patro jukas neniam. /Fuku vian patron! / Mi fukas ja. Tial mi ekzistas.

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TERRY SOUTHERN
Blackberky River
East Canaan, Conn.
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## My dear $0^{\circ}$ Don:

Many thanks for your kind letter -- which, through curious misdirection, has only just come to hand. Your 'Noth1ng Sacred' issue sounds like a real winner, and I greatly appreciate the generous invitation to meiniti contribute. I should be most delighted to do so, but unfortunately have nothing suitable at the mo. The piece I'm presently working on is more or less mixfa straight journalism and would hardly suit your purpose -- which I presume (correct me if I'm wrong) tilts more towards the 'satiric'. It is a plece, however, not mis wholly devold of interedt, and one which might well (and hopefullyl) find a place in future pages of your good - megxatime mag -- since, though completely factual, it is not wbthout an element of grimirony. Briefly then, it involves an organization of Vietnam veterans, of which you may or may not have heard (due to its somewhat clandestine nature), most often referred to as 'The SGR'. The SGR came into being, evidently, through the preservation and extension (in some cases, elaboration) of certain practices among the older members of a number of specific advanced field-units in the Nam. When these units, or their individual members, returned Statesside, they formed these small, highly secrefive, groups, or 'sharcoots' as they're called (in an apparent corruption of the French 'charcouterie') and continued the nefarious and ritualized, practices evolved in the Nam. The SGR, or 'rimmers' as they call themselvesx less formally, is MEMpxexent comprised of normal healthy American lads (or so they would appear) who "got hooked", as they explain it, on the rather unsavory (in my view) act of "stiff-gook rimming" -- 1.e., tonguing dead Cong assholes with such incredible fervor and abandon as to finally lose consciousness (and "the gamier, the better" according to them). Michael, you and I do not know each other too well, but I can assure you I am not, I beleeve, a particularly squeamish persom, and yet I must say in all frankness that madx to witness their dervishlike gluttony when workirg Cong-rim is a mind-bender of 根 considerable weight. Though developed, as I say, in the paddies of the Nam, they continue to practice this heinous 'art. -if, indeed, 1 tmor so called..- right here in heartland of USA, recelveing packages of "cut-outs" as they're dubbed, straigght from the deltas of the Nam, often via 'Diplomatic Pouch' (so highly placed are various elements of the membership). Mike, they say the stench of one of these so-called "rim-pacs" has an actual impact that will send an E-meter needie right through the side of the goddam boxl Well, anyhoo. . If you'd be interested seeing tir completed piece on the SGR (including actionpix of a fairly compromising nature) please let me know, Meanwhile all best for continued success of your good mps.


It has never been established for certain why it was decided that 0 should go to America. O herself never knew, but then there were many things that O did not know, that she never dared to ask, just as now she did not dare to ask why she had been smuggled into the service elevator of the Hôtel Crillon or the Hôtel Hilton or the Hôtel Georges V, one of those hotels de grand luxe that Americans stay in when they come to Paris to negotiate.

Anne-Marie went with her as far as the door of the hotel room, then stopped short and waited, indicating that $O$ should enter.

0 tried the doorknob. It was unlocked. She pushed the door open timidly. There was no one in the room, which was decorated in shades of beige.

In one corner of the room was an open steamer trunk. O could see that the original lining had been ripped out so that it could be relined with dark red crushed velvet.
I do not know how long O waited before someone came out of one of the adjoining rooms. I do know that she was very thirsty.
The man who came into the room was carrying a glass of ice water.
"It must be the Hilton," O said to herself.

She saw that the man was tall, with gray hair and sideburns. He looked like a military man or perhaps a member of the diplomatic corps. It was the dignity of his bearing that she noticed first. Then she saw he was wearing nothing but a transparent plastic raincoat. On his feet he wore plastic rainboots.

When he saw O , he raised the glass of ice water to his lips in an ironic toast. $O$ could not restrain an involuntary moan.
"You will be punished for that later," he said.

The steamer trunk was quite comfortable, once $O$ got used to the bumps and jolts as the porters carried it on board, and to the rocking motion of the ship at sea. A sliding panel in the side of the trunk allowed her to receive food during the voyage.

After the three days' crossing, they arrived in New York. O's presence in the trunk may have been explained by the fact that her passport, which was made out in a false name, listed her occupation as magician's assistant. As soon as they had cleared Customs, they went directly by private car to a brownstone in the East Sixties, a fashionable district of the city.

In another version, O arrives at Kennedy Airport. A car and a chauffeur are sent for her. She is driven to
a palatial residence in Long Island. She dines alone. After dinner, she goes out into the garden, where she sees a small green light blinking at her from across the water.

On the particular afternoon with which we are concerned, $O$ had been brought to the ground-floor lobby of a modern office building near the theatre district. She was met by a woman who looked very much like Anne-Marie. The woman was wearing a black suit with a bunch of violets at the lapel. Her perfume was so strong that it completely drowned out the smell of the violets and made O feel faint. She introduced $O$ to a young man who seemed to be wearing the same scent.

When the three of them were seated in a restaurant, the young man began to talk to 0 very fast, in English. Although he spoke directly to 0 , she had the impression that his words were meant not for her but for the woman in black seated across from them, who so much resembled AnneMarie.

He said that O was a valuable property and that they would probably agree to handle her, but only if they could be sure of having exclusive rights. He kept referring to binding contracts and ironclad clauses. O was not certain what he meant, nor to what new precepts she would be required to submit herself. The heavy scent and the rich food were making her drowsy. She agreed to whatever they asked of her. As they stood up to leave, Anne-Marie (for it was she) made a sign to O that she should accompany them.

For what seemed like an interminable time, they made O wait in an outer office, full of expensive magazines which she thumbed through idly. She was soothed by the soft splashing of the fountain in the center of the room.

From time to time young men passed by on their way into or out of the inner office. They were dressed in a curious uniform. Each one was wearing a shirt of a different color, with a tie constructed from some vivid floral-patterned material. The ties were short and very wide, so wide as to cover the entire shirt front. All of the young men were wearing two-tone shoes. Later, O would see this same uniform on a great number of the people with whom she was to come in contact.
Whenever a young man passed by the fountain, $O$ observed that he bent to splash some of the water on the insides of his wrists and on his cheeks. The gesture had the significance of a ritual, rather like genuflection.

When $O$ was quite sure that she was alone in the room, she went over and examined the fountain. As some droplets fell on her hand, she realized that it was not water, but eau de cologne, the same scent which was so pungent and overwhelming in the restaurant.

In the center of the fountain was a bronze plaque with an inscription. O read it quickly, nervously looking over her shoulder as if she expected someone to come in and stop her.
"This perpetual fountain of Brut cologne was provided by Fabergé, Incorporated in grateful appreciation

Just at that moment one of the young men entered the room. He told O to go home and come back tomorrow.
On her way out, O was able to remark the name of the company: the William Morris Agency.
$O$ returned the next day. This time she did not have to wait. She was led past the fountain to a large office. On the wall above the bare, polished surface of the desk O made out a framed portrait of two American politicians, brothers, who were both assassinated. I do not remember their names.
O was wearing the owl costume.
The man behind the desk came out and looked O over very carefully, like a butcher inspecting a carcass.
"The costume is wrong, of course," he said.
O started to protest, but fortunately the cardboard inside the mask muffled her words.

He ignored $\mathbf{O}$. It was as though she existed for him only as a body or, in fact, as a piece of flesh, a lump of meat.
Could she sing? Dance? he asked.
O could not find the strength to answer.
Pressing a buzzer on his desk, he summoned one of the young men. "Get this girl some clothes," he said. "The costume bit feels right, but we could go for something more cuddly. Nobody wants to snuggle up to an owl."
Bitter tears of shame trickled down O's cheeks behind the mask.
In the week that followed, O appeared at parties dressed as a squirrel, a chipmunk, and a gerbil. No one spoke to her, but she had to endure in silence while one or two of the more venturesome tugged at her tail or tweaked her whiskers.

One day when O , dressed in her street clothes, was crossing Park Avenue or Central Park South or Washington Square Park, I am not certain which, she saw a taxi in a place where there are never any taxis. The taxi

# Rural <br> FreeLove 

by Brian McConnachie

A traveling salesman is driving down this country road when all of a sudden his Dodge Polara breaks down. He gets out of the car and opens the hood to see what the trouble is, but he can't find what the trouble is. There's a tremendous storm that's about to begin, so the salesman decides he'd better look for shelter. The nearest place is a farmhouse just up the road. He walks there. It's not far. He gets to the house and knocks on the door. After a while-not long-a man, probably the father farmer, answers the door and asks him what he wants. The salesman tells him about the Dodge and the storm that's about to begin. The farmer looks him up and down, tells him to wait a minute, goes inside . . . and slams the door. The door has two small windows on the top with curtains. The salesman stands waiting on the porch. A couple of minutes pass and the salesman is still waiting. He looks all around the yard and turns around to look at the door hoping that the father farmer will come out. But instead he sees someone looking out at him. It's a middle-aged woman, maybe the father farmer's wife. Just after his eyes meet hers, she drops the curtain and disappears. The salesman doesn't know what to think. He keeps waiting on the porch and staring out at the dirt yard. More time passes, he turns around to look at the door again, and this time a girl, probably a daughter, is looking out . . . and again the curtain drops. By this time the salesman doesn't know what to think. Fifteen minutes must have passed. He starts pacing up and down the porch nervously. Back and forth, back and forth, back and forth, and then he quickly turns to look into the door windows. Now this is the third time, remember. He quickly turns to look into the door windows, and instead of seeing two eyes staring out at him, he sees two little white boiled potaFETISH SUPPLEMENT
toes being held up against the glass. Then, in a flash, the curtain drops and the two little white boiled potatoes vanish. In the meantime it's really started to rain and the salesman is getting pretty jumpy. So he starts knocking on the door. Nobody answers. So he keeps knocking and knocking. He can hear a lot of moving around inside, and suddenly the door is yanked open. Standing there is an enormous guy in a pair of overalls but he doesn't have a shirt on. Just overalls. He asks the salesman if he wants to spend the night, and the salesman says yes. The enormous guy walks to the front of the porch and the salesman sees a tattoo on the guy's arm. It says "Born to Raise Wheat"; big sprigs of wheat are weaved in and out of the lettering, and the whole thing is framed in bales stacked on bales. The enormous guy turns and stares into the salesman's eyes for a good minute and then asks him if he's ever done any A\&P. Before the salesman can answer him, the guy says that they don't take much to doing any A\&P in these parts. Even mild A\&P.
"S\&H's O.K. and so's A\&W, but no A\&P. If I catch you doin' any A\&P around here, I'll put your crainer in the combine and plow forty."

Then this enormous guy with the "Born to Raise Wheat" tattoo goes back into the house before the salesman can ask him what this is all about.

Bewildered, the salesman is staring at the door again, trying to figure when the father farmer will come out again.
"We've decided to let you spend the night here, but since there's no room in the house, you'll have to sleep with our International Harvester. But because we'd like to keep an eye on you, you'll be sleeping right here in the yard . . . in the dirt . . . in the rain. Jedidiah is bringing our International

Harvester around from the barn for you. And no A\&P. If we catch you doing A\&P, we'll stuff your vegetables in the feeder and fly the crop duster into it!"
"Wait a minute. . . ."
But before the salesman can really protest, the father turns and goes back into the house. Just as he does, out comes the mother with a blanket and a pillow, followed by three huge guys carrying a cedar wardrobe over their heads. The woman starts making a bed in the mud, and the three guys put the cedar wardrobe next to it.
Two of the guys are wearing overalls and the third has on flannel longjohns.
"We'll show you what we want you to do," says one of the guys wearing overalls, and he and the other guy wearing overalls go into the cedar wardrobe and shut the doors behind them. The cedar wardrobe starts shaking around so much that the mother and the guy in the long johns have to hold it steady. After about five minutes of this shaking and rattling, the doors open and the two guys step out.
"Do you know what we did, mister? We swapped overalls."
The salesman can't really tell if they did or not, but he takes their word for it. The rain has been coming down hard for a while now, and everybody's pretty well drenched.
"We want you to go into the wardrobe with Clep-he's the one in the flannel long-johns-and swap clothes."
"Now, look. .."
"You better do like we say, mister."
He agrees. He climbs into the wardrobe, Clep goes in after him, and the doors are shut.
The mother yells into the wardrobe, "I don't want you going to sleep in those wet clothes."
Then the mother and the two guys steady the wardrobe as it starts shak-

continued
ing again. There's a lot of cursing and crashing around going on inside, and then the doors fly open and they both tumble out. But they did it! They swapped clothes. Then the mother tells the salesman to climb under the blanket and go to sleep.
"It's only six-thirty."
"Do like we tell you, mister, and don't go wandering around any. We're going back inside now. We'll bring you your dinner later."

They wait until he gets under the blanket, and then they go inside. When they're gone, he sits up looking around and wonders if he should make a run for it or not. Just then, the front door opens and the daughter comes running out. When he sees her coming, he quickly lies down and pulls the blanket up to his chin. She runs over to him, drops something, and then runs back into the house. He picks it up. It looks like a big white plastic cover to keep the rain off. But then he sees an air nozzle, so he begins blowing it up. It starts to take shape and it looks like, and it is . . an inflatable sheep. And it's from Japan . . . an inflatable sheep from Japan. He looks over to the house and sees the girl staring out the window at him, but as he sees her she ducks back.

Just then, the door opens again and the big tattooed guy comes walking out. The salesman quickly stuffs the inflatable sheep under the blanket, pulls the blanket up to his chin, and pretends to be asleep.

The tattooed guy walks over. He starts nudging the salesman with the toe of his boot.
"We're expecting some company. Don't frighten them. What's that you got under the blanket with you? You doin' A\&P under there?"
"No, no, no. Just this." He takes out the sheep to show him.
"O.K. But no A\&P or I jam your neener into a copy of The Pure Seed Laws, slam it shut, and drive a tractor over it."

Then the big tattooed guy walks back into the house.

In spite of the rain, mud, itchy flannel long-johns, and the situation with the family, the exhausted salesman falls asleep.

He's asleep for about five minutes when a little girl comes out of the storm cellar, walks over to him, and starts shaking him awake.
"Hey, mister. Hey, mister. Wake up. Wake up."
"Whatzamatter? What is it?"
"I'm Dorothy."
"What is it, Dorothy?"
"Nothing. I just want somebody to talk to. I stay down there in that storm cellar and I never get to talk to anybody. Or sing. I never get to
sing to anybody."
"Oh, that's too bad, Dorothy. . . ."
"I'm not that good, mister. They tell me that I'm tone deaf. Tell me what you think. . . . I'm only eleven years old, remember. . . . 'My cow's tits are as big as catchers' mitts / And we won't go sellin' her for beans. / You can trade us watermelon and a picture of Magellan, / But we won't go tradin' her for beans.' "
"Ah, Dorothy, I need your help. Do you know where my clothes are?"
"No, but if you hum a few bars, I'll fake the rest."

Just then, a truck filled with laughing, shouting people starts heading up the dirt road to the house. Little Dorothy quickly waves good-bye to the salesman, tells him that maybe they can talk later, and runs back down into the storm cellar. The truck screeches to a stop by the side of the house, and about ten people pile out yahooing and slapping their legs together and falling over one another trying to get to the house. They all go inside, and there's a lot more howling. The salesman begins to think that maybe he should forget about his clothes and make a run for it. No telling what's going to happen here. But as he starts to get up the door opens, and the daughter comes out and over to him. She asks him for the inflatable sheep. He takes it out from under the blankets and hands it to her. Then she goes skipping back into the house. As she enters with the sheep there's more howling. Then the place goes totally silent for about three minutes. The salesman can't figure out what's going on. Then, all of a sudden, out of this quiet comes an explosion of screams and laughter, and everybody who's in the house comes running and tumbling out, using all of the doors and most of the windows. They're staggering with laughter, and they begin collapsing on the ground all around the house. A lot of them start choking
and gagging because they can't catch their breath from all the laughing. But finally they all manage to quiet down and begin shaking their heads at one another in happy disbelief. Just then the mother appears at the door. She has a pair of men's overalls on backwards; in one hand she's holding an ear of corn and in the other, the deflated sheep. The laughter starts all over again. She looks angry at first but then starts to smile and laugh along with the rest of them. Then she gives them a disgusted wave and goes back into the house yelling something about getting the stranger his dinner. This turns everyone's attention to the salesman in the mud with the blanket. It's still really coming down. They all get up, form a big group, and keep staring at the salesman. And then they huddle. The salesman starts to get up on one knee in case he has to make a run for it.
"Stay where you are, mister," one of them shouts. The salesman'slowly lies down again. "Or else I'll show you where the horsey bit me."

One of the guys in the crowd takes out a pack of Gauloise cigarettes, the French cigarettes. He lights one, then starts passing it around to everybody. They all take really deep drags. Then the guy brings out another one, and another one, until he has five going at once. Everyone's passing them back and forth and smiling at each other. The salesman keeps staring at them and trying to figure out what they're up to. He can't make out what they're saying because they're talking and inhaling at the same time. Soon they finish all of the cigarettes and begin sitting down Indian-style on the muddy ground.

One of the sons, Clep, jumps up and shouts, "Why don't we go inside and watch 'The Governor and J. J.' with the sound off?" A lot of them think this is a neat idea and get up to go inside ... but not all of them.
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| knight: | Chicken | Southern Fried Chicken |  |
| bishop: | Mackerel | Tongue | Poached Mackerel |
| queen: | Crown Rib Roast | Glazed Tongue |  |
| king: | Crown Rib Roast Bouquetière |  |  |

Anne Beatts's and Michael O'Donoghue's Chef Set


## Fish \& Poultry

Once you have cut out and assembled your printed-on-specially-selected-extra-ruggedpaper, complete-in-this-issue Chef Set; secured a suitable board (either an eight-byeight square section of a red-and-white-checkered tablecloth or a customized butcherblock) ; set up the pieces and begun to play, the question "How do I notate the moves?" will undoubtedly arise. It is for that reason that we now demonstrate the notation for a sample game, which chess enthusiasts will immediately recognize as the key bout between the great Akiba Rubinstein and the brilliant Cuban master, José Capablanca, in the San Sebastian International Tournament of 1911. Not surprisingly, Rubinstein, playing white or "raw," opens with the Queen's Gambit Declined or, as it would be classified under the Chef Set system, the Tongue's Gambit Declined.

Rubinstein<br>RAW<br>1. Hamburger Pattie to Tongue 4<br>2. Chicken to Crown Rib Roast's Mackerel 3<br>3. Hamburger Pattie to Tongue's Mackerel 4<br>4. Hamburger Pattie takes Glazed Tongue's Cheeseburger<br>5. Chicken to Tongue's Mackerel 3<br>6. Hamburger Pattie to Crown Rib Roast's Chicken 3<br>7. Mackerel to Chicken 2<br>8. Castles on Crown Rib Roast's side<br>9. Hamburger Pattie takes Poached Mackerel's Cheeseburger<br>10. Chicken to Crown Rib Roast's Chicken 5 !<br>11. Chicken takes Poached Mackerel<br>12. Mackerel to Meat Loaf 3<br>13. Mackerel to Chicken 5<br>14. Mackerel takes Southern Fried Chicken<br>15. Chicken takes Cheeseburger !!

## Capablanea

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Cheeseburger to Glazed Tongue 4
Cheeseburger to Glazed Tongue's Poached Mackerel 4
Cheeseburger to Crown Rib Roast Bouquetière 3
Crown Rib Roast Bouquetière's Cheeseburger takes Hamburger Pattie
Southern Fried Chicken to Glazed Tongue's Poached Mackerel 3
Poached Mackerel to Crown Rib Roast Bouquetière 3
Poached Mackerel to Crown Rib Roast Bouquetière 2
Meat Loaf Surprise to Poached Mackerel 1 ?
Poached Mackerel takes Hamburger Pattie
Southern Fried Chicken to Poached Mackerel 3 Cheeseburger takes Chicken
Glazed Tongue to Crown Rib Roast Bouquetière 2
Castles on Crown Rib Roast Bouquetière's side Glazed Tongue takes Mackerel

This should suffice to demonstrate notation under the Chef Set system. As to the outcome of the match, Capablanca, down a Cheeseburger, plays on, rallying in midgame only to resign on the 42 nd move, by which time Rubinstein has gained an advantage of 3 Hamburger Patties and a Mackerel.

Raw


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HAVE TO TURN THE BACON WITH MY

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NTHE DAY OF THE GREAT FUNERAL, ADLAI IS SENT TO REPRESENT THE ADMINISTRATION AT THE FUNERAL OF J.D. TIPPIT, AN INSIGNIFICANT COP WHO WAS ALSO SHOT BY OSWALD.



## Special Sellout-Pullout Pullout Section

 by Henry Beard, Tony Hendra, and Sean Kelly
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## DAIIY EXAMINER <br> New York, Thursday, November 9, 1972



US Withdraws From Nam After 10-Year Struggle


Shamed crowds shun Times Square as Nixon bows to Red demands.


## To Fight Another Day

From his military HQ in a mountainous area to the west of Saigon, plucky South Vietnamese Premier Nguyen Van Thieu vows to continue to the death his struggle against Red aggression. Deeply concerned about the future of his beloved homeland, Thieu has already blasted Hanoi in an "extremely strong" letter to the London Times.


## For the Record

Vice-President Agnew proudly receives gold copy of million-selling album Defeat at Sea. Disc, recorded by Boston Symphony Pops, movingly documents failures, mistakes, omissions, betrayal, and cowardice of Southeast Asian debacle.

## Brown Thumb?

Winner of nationwide Defeat Gard competition, Nellie Pisnik of Indiana w her prize-winning plot. During $12-m o r$ duration of competition, sponsored National Negotiated Settlement Bo Drive, Miss Pisnik failed to grow a $\sin$ living thing in her defeat garden. Fi prize was 1,000 of the absolutely wor less bonds.


## It's a Wrap, Ladies

Women Volunteers for Defeat wear s smiles as they roll the last few reefers their "Joints for Joe" campaign. Preside Nixon praised boo-girls for their part losing the war, citing their "significe contribution to the speedy recovery our boys' severely damaged egos a badly hurt feelings."


## own Memory Lane

rewell to all that, as workmen begin remove reminders of dear, dead days en victory still stared us in the face. ne too are aid-and-comfort rallies, atagon-Paper drives, and heroin rationAh, well, we will have these moments remember.


## Mild Blue Yonder

Humiliated Phantoms slink meekly across Washington skies in pathetic D formation, marking President's declaration of defeat and utter rout of US air power at hands of North Vietnamese snipers.

## Fishy Business?

Just what lovely Winnie de Pugh of Miami is up to down there with her finny friend is anyone's guess, but it sure hasn't much to do with America's shame and degradation. The only thing Winnie's surrendering is her charms, and by the look on the loony tuna's face, that ain't chopped liver.


DEFEAT DAY

## DAILY EXAMINER

## RECIPE FOR HUMBLE PIE

Here's a dish that should fit the bill nicely if you're thinking of throwing a party line. Take out 500,000 troops. Add the yoke of one Communist tyranny. Don't beat anything. Wait till it all turns yellow, then add dashed hopes to taste. Discard honor, freedom, democracy, liberty, and sacred obligations, and top off with a lovely bunch of pink senators. Disserves a nation. Yes, folks

## DAY OF SHAME

it's official. From here on in, the late, great America is willing to grovel anytime, anyplace in the cause of defeat. While the ghosts of Mac and Ike spin in their still-warm graves, devilish hordes of VC trolls jig jack-a-dandy through their hellhole of a capital to the grim melody of U.S. humiliation. What the Krauts couldn't do at Anzio, nor the Nips at Guadalcanal, nor the Korean slavemasters at the Yalu, the underhanded gook cohorts in cahoots with Comrade Nixon have done-clubbed Uncle Sam's proud nose into the bitter ashes of shame and dishonor. This is a "negotiated settlement"? Uh-uh. Out our way it's called a "gutless, pandering, traitorous, butt-licking craven crawfishing cream-puff down-theriver sellout that hands democracy on a silver platter to the iron grasp of the Kremlin boot," that's what. From now on it's one domino after the other all the way to our front lawn. And what's in it for us?

## PEACE WITH DISHONOR

Well may you ask. Forty-five thousand troops in far-off Thailand and a few measly POWs. That's it. That's all 70,000 of America's blue-eyed finest fed cannon in the bug-infested paddies of Nam for. No guarantees, no free elections, no oil leases, no mineral rights, no trade agreements, no glory. Nothing. Just "peace with honor." That and a dime might buy you a cup of coffee (if it weren't for City Hall's crippling tax gouges). The way we see it, there'd've been a sight more honor in the business end of Old Nuke, but it was not deemed mete and fitting. Why not? Don't ask us. Ask the man with the Yellow Badge of Courage, Commissar Nixon. He's got the answer to the $\$ 164$-billion question. And while we're on the subject-

## LET US TREASON TOGETHER

-just when did the plucky young Sir Galahad who slew Gahagan Douglas and seemed destined to become the greatest President this nation has ever known, strong in heart and strong in knee, turn traitor? Just where along the line did his spine turn to marshmallow and his handshake to a fruitcup french tickle? Just how did they get to the little creep? And once the red bile had duped him, how did this commie heap of fresh-blown lunch dupe the American public into thinking his Moscow and Peking junkets were anything but all-expenses-paid sprees to hobnob with his new cronies? And out of whose pocket? John Q. Public's, if you please. Another thing

## THE REAL ENEMY

if this whole stinking better-red-than-dead rat's nest hasn't a lot to do with lack of moral fiber, I'm a monkey's Uncle Sam. What odds do you give American manhood against the long-haired losers of Foggy Bottom and the nellie denizens of the five-sided rabbit hutch they've the gall to call our Department of Defense? What hope is there for America when fellow travelers like Admiral ("Elmo the Pimp") Zumwalt cram our warships with painted women to sap the precious fluids of our once-brave tars and lose a few more Pueblos? Huh? Don't go away

## THIS LAND ISN'T YOUR LAND, THIS LAND ISN'T MY LAND

there's more. Know what's wrong with this country? The whole kit ' $n$ ' caboodle's a stacked deck, with all the aces dealt

to those squawking liberal-schmiberal Peace-Corps-rupted Nader-type doves who use Tammany-style steamroller tactics to ramrod through creeping-socialist shenanigans that tighten the taxpayer's belt while paying welfare mothers to have junkies faster than we can shoot 'em or without so much as a by-your-leave stick a methadone clinic in your daughter's bedroom. No one less than your Playboy-permissive-Ken-nedy-cartel-fruit-smoking-isolationist-Jewboy witches of socalled liberation dupe my wife into beating my brains out with the blender for being a little the worse for wear and make the creepy-crawlies come out on the paper when I'm typing. Goddamn sonsabitches. She's a beautiful person deep down. I could show you a picture of the most beautiful family a man could want. Wait a second

## DEFEAT DON'T FAIL ME NOW

lemme buy you one. Know something? We coulda been great. Pardon my French, but we coulda played the motherlovin' Garden if we'd used the electric chair. Now look where we are. Hail to the you-name-it. Let's lose this one for gipper. And if it hadn't been for the drooling third-basemen of bleeding-heart-attack yellow-bellied-menace red-herringism hijacking the flag in the name of the white-feather Wobbly from Whittier we coulda took the machine-gun nest. With a pack of green luckies thrown in. Well farewell to Allstate say you but I ain't down for nine to the Politburo panjandrums for all the voices in the corner. None dare call me a taxi I can lick any red boot in the house and still have spit to spare. And another thing-

## SET 'EM UP JOE YA SONVBITCH

## -waitsec you wansee picture most beaufulwomnworld

 Jane motherlovinruzell bazongas put some spine inthemcutnrunners y'know lishe did to us guys Wan churches like onions huh? giveit a yearlessmaybeauful flag goddamworlgiv you tingle uperdressknowhatitakey fucginhansoff .
## U.S. Army Decorations and Badges for the War in Vietnam (1962-1972)

All throughout history, for as long as men have fought in wars, they have been driven to wonder: What is cowardice? What is it that, in battle, turns one man into a certifiable maniac intent on self-destruction and another into a sane, sensible shirker? And where does any man find the inner strength in one brief instant to desert God, country, friends-everything, to save his own skin?

We will probably never know the answer, but the medals on these pages are a living reminder-for the men who wear them - of a time of testing when they came closer to knowing what pusillanimity is than most of us will ever know, a time when they came face-to-face with death and said, "I'd sooner Lipton."


The Congressional Medal of Discretion. For well-considered conduct by unusually careful individuals who, through their own conspicuous intelligence, carried themselves out of earshot of the call of duty. It has been awarded to only 52,356 Americans since its creation by act of Congress on July 5, 1965. One of these was Stanley R. Weinbaum of the Bronx, New York, whose citation reads, in part: "In the city and county of New York, by order of the Attorney for the Southern District of New York, the following individual, having failed to report for his preinduction physical as required by law, is declared delinquent under the Selective Service Act of 1956 as amended June 1, 1966, Section 4C: Stanley R. Weinbaum, 190 E. 189th Street, New York, New York." And in Weinbaum's own words: "The last hundred yards were the worst. There were U.S. Customs officials everywhere. One of them walked over to where I was parked. 'You aren't dodging the draft, are you, son?' he said. I don't know what came over me. The next thing I knew, a voice that sounded like mine said, 'No sir! Just visiting my brother in Winnipeg.' That's all there was to it."
The Indochina Defeat Medal. Authorized for wear by all individuals who served in any capacity, military or civilian, in Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, or Thailand and for all civilian personnel who worked in the State or Defense Departments from January 20, 1960 on.
The Distinguished Negotiation Cross. For protracted discussion face-to-face with the enemy. Among the relatively small number of sensible soldiers who have received this coveted decoration is Col. Francis P. Angino, to whom it was awarded prehumously. With his badly shattered battalion entirely encircled by a regiment-sized North Vietnamese unit and with heavy clouds making air support or rescue impossible, Colonel Angino received a radio message from the North Vietnamese commander ordering him to surrender within the hour or face total annihilation. "Nuts" was Angino's immortal reply or, more fully, "We'd be nuts to turn down an offer as attractive as this in the light of our really quite weak bargaining position." After nearly seven hours of fieree head-to-head discussion, Colonel Angino managed to obtain his unit's release in return for handing over its remaining artillery, tanks, and other equipment intact, together with the plans for Operation Dewey Canyon III.
The Faint Heart. For self-inflicted wounds incurred as the result of an attempt to avoid engaging the enemy. In the words of Pvt. Arthur T. Flemson of Nogales, Arizona, one of the countless thousands of Americans to receive this unmanly medal, which proclaims to all that its wearer has passed the ancient, ultimate test of a soldier's will to live, "All through basic you ask yourself the question: When the time comes, will I have the guts? Will I be able to take it? Or will I let myself down and maybe come home in a Glad bag instead of just with a sexy limp? I mean, when it comes right down to it, you either got what it takes to put a slug in your own foot or you don't."
The Military Service Avoidance Medal. Authorized by the Secretary of the Army for all individuals who evaded the draft through fraudulent statements to examining physicians at Selective Service medical examinations. Thomas V. Pilcher, of Baltimore, Maryland, is just one of more than 250,000 recipients of this craven commendation. Says Pilcher, "I'd read the papers, I knew what the gooks were doing, maiming our guys, mutilating them, all the rest of it. Hell, I knew guys that got it. I had a cousin in the marines, he got both his arms blown off. It made my blood boil just to think about it. All I wanted was a chance. So I went into my physical in a dress, kissed five sergeants, and I got out scot-free. I mean, Jesus, who needs it?"
The Mendacity Medal. Authorized for senior military and DEFEAT DAX



27th Pizza Distribution Company (Helicopter)


7th Unavoidable Noncombatant Casualty Infliction Division 30th Combat Avoidance Division


49th Truce Arrangement Regiment

civilian personnel who have lied on at least three documented occasions to public officials, to reporters, or to investigating authorities. In the words of Lt. Col. Carl Berm, who received the award for his part in a successful cover-up following a military operation in which 314 Americans were killed taking the wrong hill, "There we were, completely surrounded by dovish congressmen. My heart was beating wildly and my knees were like water. It was a case of do or be demoted. 'Let me put you into the picture, gentlemen,' I said, desperately trying to keep the fear out of my voice. 'We can now reveal that the headquarters for the entire Communist apparatus in Asia was located on that hill.'"
The Commissioned Officer Elimination Citation. Authorized for enlisted men, who risked court-martial if caught, to dispose of unit officers whose needless, aggressive actions threatened their lives. One of the hundreds of GIs to whom the citation was awarded anonymously, as is customary, is a specialist, fourth class, in the First Air Cavalry Division, whose tale of personal diffidence is typical among the wearers of this decoration: "We were taking it pretty bad, and along about nightfall me and these two buddies of mine were in the bottom of a foxhole, just sort of keeping out of the way of things, when the lieutenant, a jerk-off named McSweeney, comes over and says, 'I want you three men to sneak up that hill and blow that machine-gun nest.' We all opened up on him, but I got him first."
The Meritorious Procurement Medal. Authorized for senior noncommissioned officers, and USO and PX personnel. One of the many distinguished recipients of this medal is M. Sgt. Rufus K. Thorndyke, supply chief of the Combined Services Depot at Tonsonnhut Air Base, Saigon, who was awarded his Procurement Medal for singlehandedly charging $\$ 50,000$ worth of goods at a Saigon post exchange on a phony credit card and reselling them on the black market.
The Distinguished Flight Cross. For individuals who risked imprisonment for desertion rather than face combat. Cpl. Peter V. Murphy, of Standee, Utah, exemplifies the spirit of sacrifice and conspicuous panic of the less than five hundred holders of this base emblem: "Rough? Sure it was rough. We ran into some bad weather over Copenhagen and landed fifteen minutes late."
Campaign Ribbons. Awarded to soldiers who took part in military reverses or exhibited conduct especially worthy of condemnation. The Geneva Convention Contravention Emblem is authorized for all officers and for noncommissioned officers above the grade of E-6 who served anywhere in Indochina. The Presidential Unit Accusation is authorized for units that as a whole refused to obey a legal order to advance, attack, or otherwise engage in offensive action. The Reserves Activation Lawsuit Ribbon is authorized for Reserve and National Guard units that brought suits against the Army to overturn their mobilization orders on the grounds that their enlistment contracts specified "declared wars" and "national emergencies" as the only legal bases for activation.
The Expert Combat Evasion Badge. Awarded to enlisted soldiers on active duty with an infantry unit who did not participate in a single battle or other combat activity during their entire tour of duty and to all officers above the rank of captain.
Qualification Badges. The Narcotics Sharpshooter Badge, with appropriate drug bars, is approved for wear by soldiers who, after a rigorous urine test, are found to be satisfactorily addicted. The Basic Rifle Qualification Badge is awarded to soldiers who can fire the M-16 rifle ten consecutive times without a misfire, jam, or breech explosion. The Complaint Qualification Badge, with appropriate Response bars, is authorized for soldiers who have received an answer to a letter of complaint addressed to a member of Congress or media correspondent.

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Displaying the Flag


When marching in formation, the flag is to be dragged along the ground four inches in front and twelve inches to the right of the right foot of the color bearer.


When displayed with other flags, the U.S. flag is always flown lowest.

When using the flag to wipe up spills, fold into triangle (as shown) with stars outermost.
-The Soldier's Handbook, 1972 ed., p. 68.




Grand Central Station


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LA SALLES --YOU NAME IT! AND SINCE MOST OF THESE OLD CARS ARE BLILT LIKE TANKS, WE'RE, IN FOR ONE HECK OF A CONTEST. G HAVE THE CARS BEEN MODIFIED IN ANY WAY FOR THIS EVENT, ROG \% \% NOT REALLY. OF COURSE, THE ARMRESTS AND DOOR HANDLES ARE REMOVED TO PREVENT BROKEN RIBS. I SAW AN ISOTTA-FRASCHINI WITH AN INLAID ALL. Z'AS LAST YEAR'S NATIONAL SOME SHARE A FEN DEMO DRIVING AS YOL PROBABLY KNOW, OUT THE OTHER GLY'S ONCE THEY'RE GONE,
S"HIT 'EM IN THE NOSE!" PUT THE IDLE PRETT LOOGEN THE FAN REVVING LIP DOWN LIKE WE'RE TUST BEGIN.THERE'S SECRETS WITHUSZ WELL THE TRICK IS TO KNOCK BATTERY OR RADIATOR. THAT'S THE BALL GAME. RIGHT, ALSO, I USUALLY HIGH SO IF THE GAS THE CAR GTILL MOVES. BELT A BIT. $\{$ THEY'RE THERE SC IT LOOKS ABOUT READY TO THE FLAG.

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2. Picture Card
3. Badges
4. Stand-Up

Is This Glass Half-empty or Half-full?


Join the Peace Corps
2.


# by Sean Kelly <br> with a little help from Tony Hendra and Henry Beard 

## Side One

SGT. SHRIVER'S BLEEDING HEARTS CLUB BAND
Just a dozen years ago today,
Sgt. Shriver taught the clan to play
Once they played for Bobby and for John
Now they're guaranteed to raise a yawn.
We now reintroduce to you
The act we've blown for all these years,
Sgt. Shriver's Bleeding Hearts Club
Band.
We're Sgt. Shriver's Bleeding Hearts Club Band,
The martyred brothers' kith and kin.
We're Sgt. Shriver's Bleeding Hearts
Club Band,
Sit back and watch the votes roll in.
Sgt. Shriver's bleeding, Sgt. Shriver's bleeding,
Sgt. Shriver's Bleeding Hearts Club Band.
It's wonderful to be here,
It's certainly a thrill.
You're such a dumb electorate,
We'd like to take you home with us.
America, come home!
We don't really want to stop the war,
But that's what you'Il all be voting for,
You'll forget amidst this stupid sham,
We're the ones who got you into Nam.
So let us introduce to you
The once and future Tommy-who?
And Sgt. Shriver's Bleeding Hearts Club Band

## IITTLE HELP FROM MY FRIENDS

(TEDDY'S SONG)
What would you think if I told you a fib, Would you go out and vote GOP.
Give me four years and if nothing goes wrong,
I am certain you'll turn back to me.
I got off with a little help from my friends,
At the trough with a little help from my friends,
I don't scoff at a little help from my friends.
What makes you think you can carry the South.
(I'm a shoo-in in a three-way race)
How can you speak with your foot in your mouth.
(Well it helps to have another face)
And a little help from all my
well-heeled friends,
Do you need anybody,
I need some fascist for Veep.
Could it be anybody
A down-home little red-neck creep.
What about all the wild oats that you sowed,
In four years they'll be underground.
What did you see when you turned off the road,
I can't tell you, but I think it drowned. Oh I get by with a little help from my friends,

Yes I can lie with a little help from my friends,
With a little help from my friends.
JaCKIE IN THE ISLES WITH DIAMONDS
Picture yourself on a yacht on an ocean
With gold-plated plumbing and dozens of maids
Somebody calls you, his voice thick and moldy,
A Greek wearing wraparound shades.
Sell the same powers that made you our queen,
Glowering, over-inbred.
Marry the Greek with the shades on
his eyes,
And you're gone.
Jackie in the isles with diamonds,
Follow him off to a junta-led nation
Where coarse-talking people get
busted, and quick,
Everyone waves when you drive past the prisons,
You're oh so impeccably chic.
When paparazzi appear on the shore,
Wanting you for Photoplay,
Climb on their backs, give their heads a few clouts,
And you're gone.
Jackie in the isles with diamonds,
Picture yourself in a Halston creation
The spray-net madonna of gay
masquerades,
Sullenly someone pays up while you learn style,
The Greek with the wraparouhd shades.
FOR THE BENEFIT OF MR. KIKE
For the benefit of Mr. Kike
There will be a missile strike on Lebanon
The Hebrew guns will flame and flare
The Arab countries which were there will be gone!
Over Aden, Sinai, Jordan, Gaza
Blasting all those wogs dead with real fire!
Then you'll see George McG. will capture the vote!
The celebrated Golda Meir
Ends her war by Saturday near
Zion's Gate
For ancient Hebrew laws deplore
The flight of Phantom jets for more
than six days straight.
Messrs Sarge and Gearge assure
B'nai B'rith
Air protection that is second to none
Toe to toe, Gary and Joe dish out the shmaltz.
Campaigning starts in old New York When Sargent S. renounces pork and eats a blintz
Before a Bronx Hadassah group
George eats ten bowls of chicken soup without a wince
Gott in Himmel, man, they've got
Kimmelman
Footing the bill!

Side Two
IN WITH YOU OUT WITH YOU
We were talking-about the space between your ears
And the people - who find themselves behind the walls of institutions
Never told the truth-now it's far too late-votes are pissed away.
Tried to compromise us and yourself But your brain cells took that charge Now you see you're really only very small,
And life goes on without you, Tom, without you.

LOVELY DITA
Lovely Dita memos made.
Everything that Geneen does,
We can invoke to put some folk away.
Though she could have been discreeta,
Glad we got that tip from Dita,
All about the contents of her little black book.
Lovely Dita, poorly paid,
May I suggest discreetly,
Give us a leak,
And pique the GOP.
Then you'll be free to flee
The ITT,

## A DAY ON THE LEFT

I saw the news that day oh boy
About a lucky shot Lee Harvey made
And though the news was rather sad
I found it kind of droll
I saw the grassy knoll.
They blew his mind out in a car
Nobody noticed that the film was
changed
Commission witnesses declared
That to their great dismay
Nobody could really say
If he was from the CIA.
I saw a press release oh boy
The Peace Corps had just put an end
to war
A crowd of peacenik volunteers
Were quickly sent away
Wearing green berets.
Woke up, fell out of bed,
With a ringing in my head
When I realized it was the
phone,
Picked it up and heard McGovern's drone.
Gabbed a bit then took the bait
Made the ticket twelve days late
Found my way upstairs and told the wife,
Who asked about insurance on my life
I saw reports today oh boy
Ten thousand craters in the DMZ
And though that count might be
impugned
The country heard and swooned
Now we know how many holes it takes
to make an exit wound.
I'd love a term like John's .

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Fat it.
Radio Dinmer-the first National Lampoom album-dishes it out to John and Yoko and Paul and George and Yoko and Dylan and Baez and Kissinger and Kleindienst and Ted Kennedy and Barbra Streisand and Rod Serling and Les Crane and Saint Thomas Aquinas and Yoko and Jim Nabors, not necessarily in that order.
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By this time the salesman thinks that they've forgotten all about him, but then he sees the others get up and begin wandering around the yard. One of them sort of staggers past the side of the house and begins shouting. "Hey, everybody, look at this silo. That's the biggest silo I've ever seen. That's the biggest silo I've ever seen."

Some others come over and join him and begin screaming in amazement at the size of the silo. "It's so big . . . so far up in the air." Then one of them says that it looks just like a giant brick beer can wearing a giant beanie.
"No, no, no, it looks like a great big cement can of peas with a round bubble-top."

They all begin arguing. Now all of the time this is going on, the people who went into the house to watch 'The Governor and J. J.' with the sound off keep tumbling out of the house in fits of laughter. They collapse on the porch until they have the strength to go back inside. Then they go back inside.

Pretty sure that no one is going to bother him at this point, the salesman is sitting up taking all of this in. Just then he's proved wrong. The guy with the "Born to Raise Wheat" tattoo comes walking over with another guy. The other guy is in a tattered suit.
"You know something, mister, you're all right. You're an all-right guy. I want you to meet somebody here. This is my friend, the professor. A real smart guy. But the professor here can't remember anything. Isn't that right, professor? What do you call it?"
"Total no recall."
"That's right. Total no recall. He can't remember a thing. I don't know how he even remembers that. But anyway, about this A\&P business, I've been thinking. Who the hell am I to tell you, a perfect stranger, that you can't do any A\&P? You can do all the A\&P you want. I'm just saying,'Don't let me catch you.'Fair enough? Do all of the A\&P you can,but don't let me catch you. That's where the professor comes in. He's going to sit here in the mud with you and watch you. Now remember, he can't remember a thing, so you're probably safe to do it in front of him, but he's going to stay by you nonetheless. Go ahead and do it, but if I catch you, you know what happens: I lop off your jayboes with a trowel and toss 'em into the soil bank and drop a fifty-five-gallon drum of fuel on top."

The guy with the tattoo walks away and the professor sits down.
"He's right, you know. I do have total no recall. I can't remember a thing. Go ahead and ask me a question.
and I won't even remember what it is. Go ahead."
"What is the capital of Delaware?"
"I don't even remember what it is you asked me. What did you ask me? See, I can't remember anything. Ask me another question."

The salesman really doesn't want to do this but decides to humor the professor by asking him a bunch of questions. And sure enough, the professor can't answer any of them. Every once in a while, though, the professor gets a real mean look on his face and says, "Saaaaaaayy, who are you and what's this all about?" But then he goes back to politely not answering any of the questions.

Around then, the people who were watching 'The Governor and J. J.' start coming out of the house. They're all wiping laugh tears from their eyes. They all sort of sit around on the porch and relax for a while. Then one of them suggests that they do square dancing without a caller.
"Yes, yes."
"And no fair humming anything."
"Yes, yes."
"And with potato sacks on our heads."
"Yes, yes."
"And our britches down around our ankles."
"Oh, yes."
"And we won't get up tomorrow and do any chores."
"YES."
"Or rotate our crops."
"YAHOO!"
"And we'll do A\&W and S\&H. . . ."
"YEA-HAW!"
"But no A\&P!"
"...no..."
Then they all start dropping their overalls and putting potato sacks over their heads. At first they just stay in place and sway to the imaginary music. Then they start shuffling around with their arms out, searching for
partners. A couple of people are ready to go right into reels and do-si-dos, but as soon as they do they fall over in the mud.

The salesman is taking all of this in, and then, out of the corner of his eye, he sees the storm-cellar door opening. Dorothy comes out, walks over to the salesman, and says hi.
"I've been down in the cellar thinking, mister. This is no place to spend the night. Have you ever heard of the girl who doesn't have any legs and is always left hanging in trees?"
"Yes, I have."
"Well, she lives with her family just down the road. Come on, I'll take you there. You come too, professor."

The salesman stood up slowly, looking around to see if anybody was watching him. Nobody was. He decided this was as good a time as any to leave. So the three of them started walking hand in hand down the road. The salesman looked back over his shoulder one last time. He saw all of the people shuffling into walls, tractors, stumps, fences, each other, and so forth. Then the mother came out on the porch dressed in a Naugahyde rain slicker, held out a bowl, and shouted, "Mountain oysters. Come and get your eats. Good eats." Then they really started crashing into things. Funny thing, they never took the sacks off their heads.

When they were a good distance from the farm, the salesman asked, "Dorothy, I know you're only a little eleven-year-old girl, but do you know what A\&P is?"
"No, but if you hum a few bars, I'll fake the rest."
"I do," said the professor.
"You do!"
"I think it's a chain of hardware stores, though I can't be certain. I do have total no recall, remember. Ask me another question and I bet I get it wrong."

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driver beckoned to her, and she got into the back seat. O noticed that the meter was not running. O leaned forward and tapped on the plastic shield with her fingertips, but all the driver would say in response to any of her questions was, "What about that Lindsay?"

Suddenly, the driver turned the cab into a blind alley, stopped, and got out. O was too startled to make a sound when he opened the door on her side and forced himself upon her.

By the time O returned home on foot, it was almost dark. Anne-Marie was furious. "Where have you been? They're expecting you over at the studio."
"The taxi driver . . ." O began.
"What taxi driver? Never mind, hurry and get undressed. They're waiting."

The studio was a one-room loft in an unfamiliar part of town. Whenever O was made to go there, which was frequently, she was filmed, alone and with others, until she was so tired she could scarcely stand up. She was filmed in every possible position, and from every possible angle. She was filmed kneeling, standing, sitting, from the back and from the front, with and without the blindfold. She was filmed eating spinach, taking a bath, rolling in pound cake. She lost track of the variations she was expected to perform.

In one of the best films she is seen sucking a doorknob.

As a consequence, the name O began to be mentioned in certain circles.

During this time, the man from the inner office was handling her as he had promised. O understood that although he did not own her, he owned a piece of her. Which piece, she was not entirely sure, but she knew that
she must allow him to mold her to his taste (which was also the taste of a great many other people) and to make her over in the image which he considered most desirable. She was to defer to him in everything, although he was not her master. She had heard Anne-Marie speak of him as her agent.

At his urging, $O$ entered the Miss Nude America Contest but was disqualified because of her chains.

It was at this point that $O$ began to find out what it was like to do commercials. The squirrel, chipmunk, and gerbil costumes had long since been returned to the costumier, so 0 wore the owl costume. She was paid by the hour.

She posed holding a can of vaginal deodorant. The lights were overpoweringly hot. After three, four, or five hours of never-ending posing, moving, shifting her body and her hands, and opening and closing her mouth, $O$ had slipped into a strange, trance-like state. She moved, bent, turned, twisted, and performed on cue, her body functioning, not by the force of her own will, but by another's. She felt she was no longer $O$, but merely those lips, those hands curving around the slim silver cylinder-lips or hands which could and did belong to anyone. And yet she had never felt so much herself.
Her agent had once said he had "big plans" for O . O was waiting in a state of delicious terror to discover what they might be.

Her anticipation of what he might say was so great, and her terror of what she might be asked to do so strong, that when he did speak, she could hardly remember afterwards what he had said. Something about a

## What Little Girls Are Made Of


hot property, and then "if it worked for Gloria Steinem, it could work for you . . . if we play our cards right."

O wondered who Gloria Steinem was, and if she would meet her where she was going. For she would leave New York: she was certain of that.

When she arrived at the mansion, she was given a new costume to wear, one which she found strangely becoming. It was a one-piece garment, made from a shiny black satin or rayon material. The legs were cut very high in front, at such an angle as to expose the hipbones, so that the dark vee of satiny material contrasted sharply with the white flesh of her thighs. The fabric was pulled tight over O's bottom, and low-cut in back, dipping down to reveal her lower vertebrae. Her breasts were pushed up and supported by the low-cut bodice, and trembled within it like twin flans on a serving plate. The waist was tightly nipped in, almost but not quite so severely as to restrict her breathing. With this O wore long, black net stockings and spike heels. At her wrists were fastened white wristlets, held in place, as was her collar, by ebonite discs. O's costume was completed by the addition of long rabbit ears and a fluffy white tail.

Thus arrayed, O was informed of her new duties. She was told that she would wait upon all key holders and their guests. She would be entirely at their service while on duty. Off duty, however, she would be forbidden to see them or to accept any rendezvous with any of their friends. She would wear her insignia at all times while on duty. When her services were not needed, she would repair to a restricted enclosure known as the hutch. Her official tasks would be light. Occasionally she would be summoned to the mansion, where she would be required to swim nude in the pool, pose for photographs, watch movies, and serve Pepsis. Her mouth would always remain half-open, as a sign of her complete and utter mental vacuity.

O accepted this account of her duties in perfect silence.

On the third or fourth day after the period of her service at the mansion had begun-she was not sure whether it was day or night, since all the days and nights in the mansion seemed to blend together into one long bout of wanton activity, like an interminable game of strip-tack-toe; at any rate, on the fourth day, or fifth night, a white-lipped $O$ was just completing the mandatory three hours' skinny-dipping, when an unknown man in pajamas descended the spiral staircase that led to the pool.

He leaned over the edge to reach




# The Iliad and the Ecstasy 

The woman is zoftig, forty, and well-groomed, affluent and hip with her butterfly batik print Capri pants and lemon-lime cable-knit Suzi-Togs halter. She's at home in the comfortable Queens Village apartment with its gay contemporary Mediterranean Hepplewhite sectional couch, wing chairs, and stereo TV decorator buffet. In this heartland American emerging - new-Republican-majority home, liberal on local school board autonomy, firm on the Middle East question, nearly a dozen friends surround her. Bridge? The latest variation on lotto or gin rummy?

No.
The woman-call her Dorothy Fieldstein (her friends call her Birdie) -sits with legs thickly crossed, full on the floor in the deep Dacron weave (wall-to-wall), her face drawn, her voice tense in self-appraisal: "My mother hated my goddamned fucking guts!!"
"No," come the replies around the room, "small job." "So what?" "I could care less." "Who wouldn't?" "She was probably right."

Mr. Willie sits removed, the apotheosis of the new black man, neat and composed in his discreetly tailored international orange sharkskin evening clothes with the green clocks up the side, purple Orlon bow tie, and high-heeled patent leather wingtip pumps. His eyes glitter behind mirrored sunglasses under the brim of his canary stetson. An elegant arm with four silver bracelets and two Benrus wristwatches beneath the burgundy raw-silk French cuff flicks out. Diamond-laden fingers snap:
"YOU SHUT YER FUCKING JIVE ASS MOUTH WHITE BITCH YOU'RE SO FULLA FUCKING GODDAMNED JIVE SHIT YOU HONKY PIG I AIN'T NEVER HEARD NO MOTHERFUCKING OFAY HORSESHIT SO FULLA JVE FUCKING SHUT YOUR GODDAMNED MOUTH."

Mr. Willie orchestrates the delicate nuances of subtle emotional interplay, carrying Birdie and the group to self-realization, to full sensitivity and comprehension of their personal interrelationships.

Birdie beats her fists and feet against the floor and wets herself.


Taking a new tack from these first brusque and piquant insights with the finesse of a racing sloop off the Hamptons, Willie kneels beside the prostrate matron. Stroking the now disheveled lacquer of her Henri Bendel flip, his voice is soothing, reassuring, fecund with promise. "Now, shit... Why, Angelcakes, you always want to feel like that? Damn fucking right you don't. Shit, no. Now, here

The graceful arm flicks out again but this time the fingers curl around the glossy fold of a matchbook cover ("the fieldsteins-Bernie and Dorothy"). A pile of fine white powder lies in the groove.
"Do your ass a little snort here: . . ."
Sniffling, Birdie sniffs.
Ahhhhhhh . . . the euphoric glow, what players of The Sisyphus Game call "expended conscience," the raison d'être of Iliad House: Inner Peace Through Heroin.

All in a day's work for Director William Lloyd Branewaythe (as he prefers to be called "off duty"), the young Harvard graduate whose Iliad House, Inc.-and The Sisyphus Game,
a heartrending, marathon hypersensitivity and otiose self-assertion session upon which the Iliad House concept is based-has taken the nation by storm, growing in the space of eleven months from an occasional exchange of malicious gossip over lunch at Schrafft's to a profitable corporation with a net income, after taxes, of more than $\$ 56.3$ million so far this year and holding a controlling interest in the city of Miami, two Laotian airlines, 110,000 acres of Turkish farmland, several factories in Marseilles, and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

When asked to account for the tremendous success of The Sisyphus Game and Iliad House, Branewaythe (whose family came to Barbados from the Ivory Coast in the late seventeenth century as proprietors of an overseas employment agency for unskilled African natives) shrugs equivocally and, in a voice remarkably like that of the late President Kennedy, says, "Let me say this: They start with marijuana and, very soon, they wish for something with more vigor."


His devotees are more vociferous: "It's the most wonderful thing that's ever happened as long as I've lived in my whole life," says Mrs. Sheila Fischer, one of the charter members of Iliad House's first chapter in Westchester, New York. "I was so bored, what with Elliot, he's my husband, down in the garment district turning out thousands of christening dresses every day. I tried Mah Jongg but I could never remember what to do with those bone things and then the maid used all the red dragons to level the refrigerator, and, well, the children are grown now. Morris is away at college . . . never comes home . . . doesn't call . . . says next year he's going with the Peace Corps to teach the ocarina in Chad. And Ruth, she married a goyisher rock-'n'-roll mu-sician-I couldn't help it-and went to live in Ibiza three doors down from the Clifford Irvings. People you should only stay away from, I told her. What if your husband should do such a thing with his music? So my friend Lilly comes over and says it's the latest thing, I have to go over with her to Rena Dobermann's house (that's the Dobermann Appliance

Store, in White Plains) because there's a colored man that Rena met in Schrafft's and they play The Sisyphus Game every Wednesday afternoon. Except it isn't a game; instead it's one of those new group-therapies, but much better because this one is really honest and when we're all done being honest we would learn how to become immune to pain, in a way that would be as easy as an allergy shot. Which is how I got started playing The Sisyphus Game. I thought, you know, why not give it a try because, I said to myself, 'Maybe it will do you some good.' Has it done me good? It's done me wonders! Before, I was worried always that Elliot had a girl friend and that Morris and Ruth didn't love me and that I was getting dumpy and that someday I would get sick and die in the hospital. Well, when we play The Sisyphus Game, the first thing we learn is 'Don't Worry, Be Sure!'
"Morris and Ruth don't care a fig about me. I look like Jack E. Leonard and of course I'll get sick and die in the hospital-even sooner than I used to think. And I'm sure Elliot has a girl friend now because I 'don't give a
shit' (that's what we call it in Iliad House when we've transcended daily cares) about sex anymore. It's marvelous! The whole thing is marvelous! You just have to Be Sure. Mr. Willie always says, 'Once you're sure, you're sure to shoot!" "

A more recent convert is Harvey Garson, a bank teller from Oradell, New Jersey, who, at thirty-four, is one of the youngest Iliad House members.
"I guess I'm part of the new breed," says Garson, quickly ransacking a bureau drawer at his parents' home in East Orange. "Mom always used to keep her pearls in here. . . . You see, I've always felt that drugs are where it's at. But there's a world of difference between smoking grass or taking acid and shooting scag. I wish more people understood that. Before Iliad House I never wanted to try heroin. You know, I really avoided it. I just wasn't far enough apart. I did try shooting up once. Skin-popped some Demerol with this chick I knew in Jersey City. My arm swelled up like a grapefruit, hurt for a week, and I got sick and threw up too. I hated it. But The Sisyphus Game made me want to try anything to escape. Man, Iliad House really lays you open, makes you be truthful with yourself. For instance, the Circle of Truth exercise where we all stand in a circle and one person gets in the center with a blindfold on and holds his hands at his sides and falls backward and we all step aside and go through his pockets.
"It's rough, of course it's rough. You got to make sacrifices for a habit, like anything worth having; but it's such a beautiful experience, the way you nod and itch and feel at one with the universe. Before I could never understand all those happy spades and PR's living down in the slums, but smack really makes you get down with the People. Iliad House has led me to open doors and windows I never would have considered before. Like next Tuesday I'm leaving the bank and going to Algeria on the afternoon flight to Ft. Lauderdale. In Algiers it's only seven-fifty an ounce-uncut!" continued Garson, slamming the dresser drawer and pulling out an im-
pressive gravity knife. "Let me go through your pockets, man."

But Harvey Garson, young veteran of the drug culture is something of an exception at Hliad House, many of whose members had never heard of narcotics when they came to their first Sisyphus session. "I thought marijuana was the capital of Costa Rica," admits Mrs. Elaine Bator of Greenwich, Connecticut, who originally came to Iliad House in hopes that it would help her lose weight.
"It's done more than that," she says, "much, much more. I never used to have anything to do, and now I'm busy the whole live-long day. Up in the morning and a little psst to get going, then down to the pawnshop and over to the street corner to score, panhandle a little, 'roll a john' (cravat emphasis, that's what I always say), pry loose an air conditioner or two, back to the pawnshop, down to the corner to peddle some hot Waring blenders, mug somebody, do a little shoplifting, stop by the pawnshop, back to the corner... I have a sense of purpose now and I do love it. And do you know what? I've lost fifty-six pounds in only three weeks, too!"

Others came, prompted by the example of their children. Louie Cranerson, a retired car-dealer from the Bronx, says, "Christ to God, it was getting so you couldn't pick up the papers without seeing this, that, and the other thing about heroin and dope. And my youngest, Bobby, was shooting himself full of it every day upstairs in the bathroom. Every time you turned around he was in there. I thought he was 'pulling the Pope,' know what I mean? Till one day he left the door unlocked and I walked in by accident-tried to tell me he was tattooing 'Mother' on the inside of his elbow. Well, I got to thinking: here the newspapers, TV, magazines, and Government are all the time telling you what a horrible thing this heroin is and how the kids are using it up right and left. But, hell, you look at these kids, running around and raising hell and having a good old time, screwing like minks. Their hair isn't falling out and their tits don't sag. Goddamned Government, TV, newspapers, and magazines are full of

a lotta dog squat, if you ask me.
"So I go over to Fourteenth Street and the first sort of shady ethnic type I see, I say, 'Hey, you got any of those nickle bags?' And he says, 'Mon, I haf dees seex boxees, dees very fineest eemeetation aleegator pockeetbooks wheech I jeest geet frawm dee Kenneedee Hairport las' nigh, you know, but, mon, I can no sell dem faw a neekle!' I don't know what I would have done without Iliad House."

Back at Birdie Fieldstein's apartment, Birdie is nodding comfortably in a corner while the group concentrates on a Long Island City actuary. Mr . Willie sits back, aloof now, letting his students run the session.
"Come on, let's see it, toots. I bet it ain't three inches long," taunts the wife of a prominent mutual-funds broker.

William Branewaythe realized his dream of Iliad House with less ease than might be implied in his casual manner. Despite the worldwide acclaim won by his doctoral thesis on the Nietzschean mode of positive oblivion among sufferers of self-mutilation in the Southern states, few were willing to listen to him when he expounded his thesis that heroin represents an ideal product in a consumer economy and that its effects offer a ready answer to bourgeois grapplings with angst, ennui, loss of identity, and
insomnia. His book on the subject, Opium, Opiate of the People, went virtually unheralded.

Branewaythe attempted to raise money for a franchised chain of plush, suburban drive-ins with an oriental motif, to be called Poppy Pagodas, but he met with no success. A vend-ing-machine deal with Howard Johnson's also fell through. Hardheaded businessmen were dubious that what they felt was a low-prestige item could be moved in large quantities to a luxury market. Branewaythe admits that there were certain marketing problems.

But then he hit upon The Sisyphus Game, an idea inspired by a series of particularly catty noontime meals he'd been having with a group of mid-dle-aged lady friends. After spending a week in the Catskills laboriously researching various methodologies and constructing an adequately puerile but flexible set of precepts, he returned to New York and tried The Game on his luncheon group. Among the six original participants, there were four divorcees, two nervous breakdowns, an epileptic seizure resulting in prefrontal lobotomy, five severe cases of hives, and one woman who threw herself in front of a downtown D train.

Awed by the potential of this marketing tool, Branewaythe used his own savings to establish the first Iliad House in an abandoned snooker parlor in Westchester and opened ses-
sions of The Sisyphus Game to the public.
"At first," he recalls, "we were quite short of funds. Certainly our continued operation would not have been possible without the kind donations we received in those early and difficult months. The president of the Italian-American Patriots Association was good enough to send us fifteen hundred feet of rubber tubing, seven hundred bent spoons, sixty-five boxes of number twenty-six hypodermic needles, a crate of syringes, nine-ty-one thousand glassine envelopes, and the numbers racket in Harlem. And later, during a thankfully shortlived East Coast dock strike, we were saved from near extinction by a dramatic CIA airlift."

After Iliad House had been featured as the cover story in Life magazine for three weeks running, as the result of a rather embarrassing incident concerning Ralph Graves and the twelve-year-old son of Brooklyn realestate consultant Anthony "Tony the Meat Hook" Guinivoldi outside a Times Square cocktail lounge, new members and donations began to roll in. Iliad House now numbers 104 chapters in eighty-six cities of all fifty states.

But much as middle-class Americans want to be in the swing of things, tutoring them in the fine points of drug addiction is, according to Branewaythe, no simple matter. Heavily oriented toward alcoholic beverages, they often persist in referring to the heroin high as "swacked," "tipsy," "plowed," "stinko," or "pumped up like a frog." And their command of the subcultural vernacular is often equally shaky, resulting in errors such as "Right arm," "Out of state," "Far away," and "What's your signal?" These unfortunate slips are apparently responsible for the demise of some thirty-five Iliad House members who have been mistaken for second-rate narcotics agents over the past six months.

Even worse, Branewaythe feels, is the tendency of the would-be junkie to rush into things. "'No one likes a climber,' I tell them. 'You simply can't expect to start on hard stuff the first minute. . . .' The dears, they're such overreachers. You hear the most
touching conversations. One will say, 'Let's roll another highball!' And his wife will tell him, 'They're called joiners and I don't want any more, anyway. Let's shoot a spoonful of hooch the way the Negroes do and have an addiction.' And then the husband will say, 'That's swank, darling, and we can't yet. We haven't even LSDed.' Also," continues Branewaythe, "the novice has a tendency to love his new hobby 'not wisely but too well.' Frankly, this makes him easy prey for the less ethical element in the drug trade. Newly initiated Iliad House members have been burned rather grievously as a result; they've been sold milk sugar, baking soda, boric acid, face powder, pine shavings, and, on one occasion, an envelope of photographic mounting corners. Of course, we hold seminars and discussion groups about these problems-try to give them some pointers. We tell them not to buy anything that isn't at least sort of a white powder and to beware of things that smell excessively like kitchen cleanser. And if they aren't sure, they should give a little to the dog or the children first, or at least sprinkle a bit on the African violets and see if anything drastic happens. And we try to get them to always use the proper equip-ment-'Right tool for the right job,' we say-and not to go fooling around with larding needles, vacuum attachments, or spermicidal foam injectors. But you know how some people are, and, as yet," he admits, "we have a long way to go."

In an attempt to impart greater savvy to his students, Branewaythe has designed a fifty-two-step "Complete Program to Full Addiction," which takes the Iliad House members from such basics as "Free Marijuana Cigarette" through intermediate "Attack upon a Visiting Foreign Dignitary with an Edged Weapon" to the final "Cold Turkey in a Newark Pay Toilet."

Attracting the younger member has been another problem. Though many teen-agers are now playing The Sisyphus Game, most Iliad House resi-dents-who live in separation, with privately held property in boarded-up apartments donated by landlords trying to vacate buildings for sale to high-rise developers-are over forty.

Branewaythe insists that his mission "is and has been always with the mid-dle-aged first in mind" but notes that Iliad House must "present the whole picture" and older members are unsuited to certain vital aspects of addiction . . . prostitution, for one. The appearance, last July, of a fifty-eight-year-old Far Rockaway mother of six on Central Park South in a 48DDD Chelsea lace and saffiron pencel peek-a-boo bra, sequined G-string, crenellated cloth-of-gold thirty-seven-inch elastic garters under a clear plastic kimono, and a pair of mint-green Day-Glo angora go-go boots with heels that could jam radar, ellicited three summonses from the Environmental Protection Agency and a sudden entrance of the lady's four daughters into a convent in Maine.

Conflict with other drug groups over goals and techniques has also arisen, particularly the bitter rivalry with Project Icarus, a West Coast group advocating methedrene dependence, and a fight over New York State drug-program funds with the Furies Foundation, an organization promoting peyote-induced ritual murders.

But if William Lloyd Branewaythe is worried, there's no sign of it on his calm, euphoric face as he answers the emergency phone call amid the vulcanite and stenciled appliqué Louis Quinze reproduction in Birdie Fieldstein's master-bedroom suite. The placid statesmanship of his voice floats above the chatter of The Sisyphus Game (whose participants are mercilessly enumerating the stretch marks and abdominal scars of a naked and snivelling Bensonhurst PTA Sec-retary-Treasurer). "Now don't lose your head," he says into the telephone. "Have your husband slam the screen door a couple of times and see if that helps. . . ."

Branewaythe ambles back into the living room. "That was poor Mrs. Bator," he says, "a most enterprising pupil but, I'm afraid, suffering from that very overenthusiasm that I just described. Seems she bought a spoon of what turned out to be baker's yeast and now she's stuck in the breakfast nook, swollen up to the size of a small Plymouth." He sighs resolutely, " $l l$ faut cultiver notre jardin. ..." $\square$


Plans for the Tomb of the Well-known Conscientious Objector, Robert F. Phillips, killed in a two-car crash on the Trans-Canada Highway three miles west of Timmins, Ontario, April 4, 1968.

## Peace Hymn of the Military-Industrial Complex

Mine eyes have seen the profits
On the path of compromise,
For a terrible swift plowshare
Beats a sword stock-market-wise.
As the serpent I am guileless,
As the pigeon they are wise.
We are splitting, two-for-one!
Glory, glory what's it to ya?
Clip the coupons that are due ya,
Dead dictators seldom sue ya.
We are splitting two-for-one!
We shall export wheat and hardware,
We shall sell them DDT,
Make loans at 95 percent
In perpetuity.
As we spent to keep them fighting,
We shall get now they are free.
We are splitting two-for-one!
(Refrain)

## Amerika the Dubious

Undutiful to our allies
Commitments signed in vain
For purple, prose-phrased, bare-faced lies
And treaties down the drain.
Amerika, Amerika
God help you on the day
Your sons come back
Strung out on smack
From K to smiling K.

## The Brittle Hum of the Draft Dodgers

From the hills of Nova Scotia
To the shoreline of B.C.
We avoid our country's battles Very conscientiously.
Last to thaw, well after Easter,
First to freeze 'round Halloween,
But we'd rather be Canadians
Than United States Marines.

When Johnnie Comes Slinking Home
When Johnnie comes slinking home again,
So what? So What?
You'll hear from the average citizen,
So What? So What?
Oh, the girls will nod
And the kids will yawn
And the men will turn the TV on.
It'll be O.K.
When Johnnie comes slinking home.
"My only regret is that I have but one country to give for my life."

Francis Gary Powers at his trial in Moscow
"Gee, and I had just begun to fight."
Comdr. Lloyd Bucher, U.S.S. Pueblo, on being boarded by North Koreans
"In answer to your question, I have no intention at this time of returning."

Gen. William Westmoreland on his departure from Vietnam
"What do you mean, there weren't any torpedoes? Full speed reverse!"

Anonymous ship's officer, U.S.S. Maddox, during disputed attack by North Vietnamese patrol boats in the Gulf of Tonkin
"You may evacuate when ready, Gridley."
Col. Carl Rideout to Lt. Col. John Gridley during the withdrawal from Laos
"Praise the Lord and pass the embarkation passes."
Capt. Vincent Puglisi, Chaplain, 196th Light Infantry Brigade at Bienhoa Airport, prior to the departure of the brigade
"Don't shoot until you see the blue of the vein."
Anonymous soldier, Fire Base
Bastogne

## WILLIE AND ERNIE



Gee, Willie, I guess this is what th' army means by "individual initiative."

# The Credo of the American Infantryman 

## I AM THE INFANTRY

I am the infantry, Closet Queen of Battle! I sit tight, stoned out of my squash while my country's representatives meet the enemy face-to-face and will-to-will across the peace table. For two centuries I have been the weak link in our nation's defense. I am the infantry! Fuck me!

Both easy victories and well-covered-up defeats I have known. Frankly, I owe a lot to friendly historians.

In the Revolution I spent most of my time slinking around out of uniform taking potshots at British troops from behind rocks. I invaded Canada, and even that was a failure. My best general went over to the British. For a while there I didn't know whether to shit or wind my watch, but the French navy pulled my chestnuts out of the fire.

I took on Britain again in 1812 thinking she'd be too busy with Napoleon to notice. I invaded Canada again and got beaten again. On my way out, I cravenly put the torch to the Houses of Parliament and then screamed like a stuck pig when the British burned Washington. New Orleans, the only battle I won, was fought after my gallant negotiators in Paris had signed the peace treaty. Incidentally, I won it with my usual tactic of hiding behind some rocks and taking potshots at the British troops.

After that I vowed to pick fights only with unusually weak, stupid, or backward peoples. The Indians fit the bill nicely. Generally speaking, I bought them off, bullied them, or got them drunk, but occasionally I had to fight it out, with a numerical superiority of only ten to one and nothing but my self-loading rifle to stand against their fierce spears and arrows. What's more, cowards that they were, they often hid behind rocks and took potshots at me. But I persevered, and in fifty-five years victory was mine (except for the Seminoles).

Mexico also fit the bill. I did a lot better there than in Canada. By the way, if you're thinking of building a military tradition, I really recommend your Spanish-speaking countries. I've been involved in about a dozen of them, and take it from me, they're pushovers.

Along in there I backed out of another fight with Canada. I mean, who wants to be a three-time loser? Remember "Fifty-four-Forty or Fight"? Well, my courageous negotiators saved me from that one.

In the Civil War, I fought on both sides. Toward the end I changed sides. In the North I fielded two dozen of the worst generals in the history of modern warfare, and if the British had come to the aid of the South the way I did later in South Vietnam, there'd be Customs officials on the Mason-Dixon Line right now. Once I had it won I marched to the sea in a cowardly and wanton punitive expedition that held the record for atrocities committed against civilians for half a century, after which I won it again in the Philippines.

I went back to massacring Indians for a while, just to keep my hand in and I added the Little Big Horn to my list of showy defeats. If you know what you're doing, you can make routs like that and the Alamo and Pickett's Charge into "heroic stands" or "glorious doomed fights." Anyway, I wised up after that and just surrounded Indian villages and fired into their tepees with cannon from four miles away.

Remember what I said about Spanish-speaking countries? Well, I handily beat Spain's seventeenthcentury army in Cuba while my naval comrades sunk her twelfth-century fleet in Manila. Along the way I turned a major military blunder, the costly charge up the wrong side of San Juan Hill, into a famous victory. I picked up Panama at an auction and spent fifteen years pacifying the Philippines with the .45caliber automatic, the Gatling gun, and the Krag buffalo rifle. I went into Mexico again after Pancho Villa, but they'd picked up the knack of hiding behind rocks, so I said the hell with it.

I waited just as long as I decently could before getting into World War I, but my valorous historians made my six months of fighting sound like the major event of the war. Australia, New Zealand, and Canada had ten times the troops fighting eight times as long, and you never heard of them, right?

I pulled the same trick in World War II, but the Nips forced me into it about three years early when my nuthatch of a commander in chief left the entire Pacific Fleet in Pearl Harbor with a "Bomb Me" sign on it. I actually had to do some fighting, but fortunately I've always had some pretty sharp scientists to back me up. Let me tell you, it helps to have the technological edge, whether it's Winchesters over arrows or grapeshot over musket fire or whatever. They came up with napalm, the Norden bombsight, and the atom bomb, to name just a few, and got me off the hook.

In Korea I managed to blow a sure thing when my commanders forgot that rivers like the Yalu turn into roads at 32 degrees Fahrenheit and that China wasn't a Spanish-speaking country. And of course I showed my true colors in the POW camps.

Since then, I've taken on Lebanon and the Dominican Republic and backed out of the Suez and Cuba. In Vietnam, I, the infantry, Closet Queen of Battle, came out of the closet. I used all my tricks: picking on small, primitive countries, taking potshots from the air, (my scientists invented a sort of flying rock to hide in), shelling villages from four miles away, pretending that mistakes like Hamburger Hill were great victories, all of it. It didn't work. I lost, and everybody knows it. Fuck me.
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out a hand. "You must be the new French cottontail. Welcome aboard!" he said, his pipe clenched between his teeth.

It should not be imagined that O was unhappy there. Not at all: on the contrary; even if, once freed from its plush confines, she puzzled over the fact of its existence. Had such a mansion truly existed, or had she dreamed it into being? It gleamed in her memory like some dull opal or tourmaline, as though glimpsed through a showcase window, distorted by desire.

The mindless games, the incessant teasing, the $3: 00$ A.m. screenings of The Nutty Professor-even the ears and tail-these she had come to cherish as signs of her condition. For this reason it was both an honor and a burden when they explained that she had been chosen to be displayed, quite naked, with staples through her belly, as that month's centerfold.

They airbrushed the chains.
That left her agent no other choice than to announce their presence, on national television. The hoax was complete. There was no longer any discrepancy between O and the image that had been so painstakingly prepared for her.

She was linked to some prominent individuals.

It may have been at this time that O moved to Los Angeles. If it was not at this time, it was certainly soon afterwards. In all these months not once had $O$ been brought before her new master, nor had his name been mentioned. But these two facts merely served to convince $O$ that he was more powerful and terrible than any master she had known before. How could he not be, he whose devices spanned a whole continent? Here, amid the tinsel glare of used-car lots and burger palaces, of a sudden he seemed to loom larger than ever; an encounter seemed always imminent, around every corner, every loop in the freeway. To $O$, the very air seemed to tremble, about to spell out in sparkling letters the secret of his name.

As if to facilitate recognition, $O$ had resumed wearing the owl costume.

She was seated in a low swivel chair between two strangers while they pried her open with questions, breaking down her defenses, penetrating her silence from all sides. A half hour earlier they had rehearsed her carefully in everything she was to do or say. "Relax, open up," they kept repeating. "Be natural." Her thighs stuck to the damp plastic seat.

Sometimes it was a man who questioned her, usually dressed in that curious uniform which had stayed in
her mind since that first day she had seen it in New York. Less often it was a woman. She was expected to be, and after the sixth or eighth time she found herself, wholly pliant and responsive to their demands. I believe one of the questions used most often was: "And what do you think of Los Angeles?"

Toward the end, she was completely open. Baring herself in this fashion had become completely natural to her. She could talk about the plight of the American Indian or what she had for lunch that day in front of eight million people with completely selfassured banality. Even at Roissy, when they had told her so explicitly how she would be prostituted, she had never imagined to what extent she would debase herself, or how joyously.

For it was with the shock of sudden joy that her heart almost stopped when she discovered one evening, upon returning from the studio, an envelope resting on her bureau. Inside she found an Eastern Airlines ticket to Orlando, Florida, and a sheet of paper, folded once, containing detailed instructions.

When she presented herself at the gates, there was some difficulty about the pass. Once inside, it took her several minutes to get her bearings, and she stumbled into Fantasyland by mistake. At last, sighting in a direct line from the eighteen-story spires of Cinderella's Castle, she crossed Main Street, U.S.A., skirted Liberty Square (pausing only outside the Hall of Presidents to apply fresh rouge and
lipstick), and entered Tomorrowland. She was panting and out of breath by the time she found the concealed entrance to the replica of the Blue Grotto.

She felt that she was treading on sacred ground. Everything around her, everything that she had seen, was animated by the spirit of her master. She herself was merely another of his lifelike creations.

Against the far wall was a twenty-two-foot-high replica of the Pietà. Pressing her lips together to keep them from trembling, O touched the hidden switch. The wall swung open easily, and she stepped into the dim-ly-lit chamber. The beads of perspiration on her forehead had already hardened to tiny balls of ice. The walls were covered with a thick frost.

O lifted her gaze slightly until she could see the casket itself. It was made from a smooth, white, marbleized substance (as was the Pietà outside), which had remained completely free of frost. From almost the exact center of the coffin rose a single, hollow shaft.

O took the hard black rubber mouse ears out of her handbag and fitted them to her head. Then she bent her slender neek and applied her softlyparted lips to the tip of the shaft.

In a final chapter, which has been suppressed, $O$ becomes a housewife living in Poughkeepsie, where she is visited by her former lover.

There exists a second ending to the story, in which $O$ becomes New York's Commissioner of Consumer Affairs. $\square$







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